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STATISTICAL SUMMARY.

Section I.—Population and Vital Statistics.

AREA AND POPULATION.

States and Territories.	Area. Square Miles.	Population (Exclusive of Full-blood Australian Aboriginals).						Capital Cities, 31st Dec., 1922.(†)
		Census—4th April, 1921. *			Estimated, 31st December, 1922.			
		Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
N.S.W. ..	309,432	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	1,107,182	1,065,045	2,172,227	955,900
Victoria..	87,884	754,724	776,556	1,531,280	788,531	801,981	1,590,512	816,800
Q'land. ..	670,500	398,969	357,003	755,972	416,548	373,691	790,239	‡217,714
S. Aust...	380,070	248,267	246,893	495,160	257,501	255,909	513,410	270,329
W. Aust.	975,920	177,278	155,454	332,732	183,088	159,944	343,032	161,773
Tasmania	26,215	107,743	106,037	213,780	109,518	109,503	219,021	54,566
N. Ter. ..	523,620	2,821	1,046	3,867	2,540	1,014	3,554	..
Fed. Cap. Territory	940	1,567	1,005	2,572	1,443	1,114	2,557	..
Total ..	2,974,581	2,762,870	2,672,864	5,435,734	2,866,351	2,768,201	5,634,552	2,477,082

* Preliminary count subject to revision.

† The areas embraced in each case were Sydney, 118,299 acres ; Melbourne, 105,385 acres ; Brisbane, 134,752 acres ; Adelaide, 137,716 acres ; Perth, 87,563 acres ; and Hobart, 54,890 acres.

‡ 31st December, 1921.

ESTIMATED POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

31st Dec.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
1900	1,360,305	1,196,213	493,847	357,250	179,967	172,900	4,857	..	3,765,339
1910	1,643,855	1,301,408	599,016	406,868	276,832	193,803	3,301	..	4,425,083
1917	1,919,621	1,417,239	687,628	446,830	306,492	198,076	4,803	2,104	4,982,793
1918	1,961,443	1,437,433	705,537	457,688	309,782	202,924	4,640	2,232	5,081,679
1919	2,038,152	1,503,241	737,588	481,615	327,405	209,955	4,547	1,919	5,304,422
1920	2,091,115	1,528,151	752,245	491,177	330,819	212,847	3,992	1,972	5,412,318
1921	2,127,271	1,550,952	770,016	502,603	335,173	218,413	3,737	2,064	5,510,229
1922	2,172,227	1,590,512	790,239	513,410	343,032	219,021	3,554	2,557	5,634,552

ESTIMATED MEAN POPULATION, EXCLUSIVE OF FULL-BLOOD ABORIGINALS.

Year.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Nor. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
1901	1,363,373	1,203,137	501,432	357,343	188,135	172,525	4,765	..	3,790,710
1910	1,632,990	1,282,477	591,591	397,700	271,019	191,005	3,403	..	4,370,185
1917	1,903,387	1,411,555	683,154	442,118	306,022	194,243	4,852	2,493	4,947,824
1918	1,941,744	1,424,238	699,003	451,512	307,825	198,267	4,871	2,427	5,029,887
1919	1,999,255	1,473,209	724,651	468,463	319,527	205,044	4,655	2,311	5,197,115
1920	2,067,115	1,512,317	747,491	486,783	329,543	210,441	4,213	2,175	5,360,078
1921	2,106,498	1,537,263	764,665	497,413	333,258	213,370	3,909	2,483	5,458,859
1922	2,148,594	1,571,101	782,890	506,240	339,424	214,874	3,656	2,814	5,569,593

* Prior to 1911 part of New South Wales.

ESTIMATED INCREASE OF POPULATION.

States and Territories.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
NATURAL INCREASE (EXCESS OF BIRTHS OVER DEATHS).						
New South Wales ..	34,507	31,893	22,188	33,008	34,610	36,004
Victoria	18,478	16,420	12,249	19,381	19,426	21,133
Queensland	13,232	12,385	9,843	12,309	13,187	12,835
South Australia	6,961	6,967	5,585	6,945	6,992	7,393
Western Australia ..	5,113	4,273	3,347	4,761	4,327	4,964
Tasmania	3,608	3,478	3,118	3,704	3,558	3,820
Northern Territory ..	6	31	21	..	– 1	10
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	31	43	9	9	23	26
Total	81,936	75,490	56,360	80,117	82,122	86,185
NET IMMIGRATION (EXCESS OF IMMIGRATION OVER EMIGRATION).*						
New South Wales	392	9,929	54,521	19,955	1,546	8,952
Victoria	– 6,070	3,774	53,559	5,529	3,375	18,427
Queensland	– 3,590	5,524	22,208	2,348	4,584	7,388
South Australia	– 2,078	3,891	18,342	2,617	4,434	3,414
Western Australia ..	– 5,212	– 983	14,276	– 1,347	27	2,895
Tasmania	– 1,198	1,370	3,913	– 812	2,008	– 3,212
Northern Territory ..	131	– 194	– 114	– 555	– 254	– 193
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	– 150	85	– 322	44	69	467
Total	– 17,775	23,396	166,383	27,779	15,789	38,138

NOTE.—Minus sign (–) denotes excess of Deaths over Births and Emigration over Immigration.

* Includes Australian Military Forces.

TOTAL ESTIMATED INCREASE.

New South Wales ..	34,899	41,822	76,709	52,963	36,156	44,956
Victoria	12,408	20,194	65,808	24,910	22,801	39,560
Queensland	9,642	17,909	32,051	14,657	17,771	20,223
South Australia	4,883	10,858	23,927	9,562	11,426	10,807
Western Australia ..	– 99	3,290	17,623	3,414	4,354	7,859
Tasmania	2,410	4,848	7,031	2,892	5,566	608
Northern Territory ..	137	– 163	– 93	– 555	– 255	– 183
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	– 119	128	– 313	53	92	493
Total	64,161	98,886	222,743	107,896	97,911	124,323

NOTE.—Minus sign (–) denotes decrease.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES.

YEAR ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1922.

States and Territories.	Births.			Deaths.			Marriages.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Males.	Females.	Persons.	
New South Wales ..	28,218	26,952	55,170	11,014	8,152	19,166	17,580
Victoria	18,738	17,550	36,288	8,187	6,968	15,155	12,996
Queensland ..	10,263	9,724	19,987	4,372	2,780	7,152	5,878
South Australia ..	6,150	5,851	12,001	2,537	2,071	4,608	4,144
Western Australia	4,163	3,968	8,131	1,994	1,173	3,167	2,446
Tasmania ..	2,995	2,822	5,817	1,084	913	1,997	1,674
Northern Territory	38	32	70	52	8	60	13
Fed. Cap. Territory	17	15	32	5	1	6	..
Total ..	70,582	66,914	137,496	29,245	22,066	51,311	44,731

BIRTHS.—NUMBER, 1917 to 1922.

States and Territories.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
New South Wales ..	52,448	50,709	48,532	53,942	54,636	55,170
Victoria	33,033	31,597	31,619	36,213	35,591	36,288
Queensland	19,787	19,536	18,699	20,256	20,329	19,987
South Australia	11,326	11,357	11,060	12,028	11,974	12,001
Western Australia ..	7,882	7,106	6,937	8,149	7,807	8,131
Tasmania	5,376	5,280	5,310	5,740	5,755	5,817
Northern Territory ..	69	105	106	63	79	70
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	44	49	27	15	27	32
Total	129,965	125,739	122,290	136,406	136,198	137,496

BIRTH RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.

New South Wales	27.56	26.12	24.28	26.10	25.94	25.68
Victoria	23.40	22.19	21.46	23.95	23.15	23.10
Queensland	28.96	27.95	25.80	27.10	26.59	25.53
South Australia	25.62	25.15	23.61	24.71	24.07	23.71
Western Australia ..	25.76	23.08	21.71	24.73	23.43	23.96
Tasmania	27.68	26.63	25.90	27.28	26.97	27.07
Northern Territory ..	14.22	21.56	22.77	14.95	20.21	19.15
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	17.65	20.19	11.68	6.90	10.87	11.37
Total	26.27	25.00	23.53	25.45	24.95	24.69

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
DEATHS.—NUMBER, 1917 to 1922.						
New South Wales	17,941	18,816	26,344	20,934	20,026	19,166
Victoria..	14,555	15,177	19,370	16,832	16,165	15,155
Queensland	6,555	7,151	8,856	7,947	7,142	7,152
South Australia	4,365	4,390	5,475	5,083	4,982	4,608
Western Australia	2,769	2,833	3,590	3,388	3,480	3,167
Tasmania..	1,768	1,802	2,192	2,036	2,197	1,997
Northern Territory ..	63	74	85	63	80	60
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	13	6	18	6	4	6
Total	48,029	50,249	65,930*	56,289	54,076	51,311
DEATH RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales	9.43	9.69	13.18	10.13	9.51	8.92
Victoria	10.31	10.66	13.15	11.13	10.52	9.65
Queensland	9.60	10.23	12.22	10.63	9.34	9.14
South Australia	9.87	9.72	11.69	10.44	10.02	9.10
Western Australia	9.05	9.20	11.24	10.28	10.44	9.33
Tasmania..	9.10	9.09	10.69	9.67	10.30	9.29
Northern Territory ..	12.97	15.19	18.26	14.95	20.47	16.41
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	5.21	2.47	7.79	2.76	1.61	2.13
Total	9.71	9.99	12.69*	10.50	9.91	9.21
MARRIAGES.—NUMBER, 1917 to 1922.						
New South Wales	13,246	13,194	15,809	20,154	18,506	17,580
Victoria..	9,505	9,156	11,706	14,898	13,676	12,996
Queensland	4,868	4,815	5,429	6,667	5,963	5,878
South Australia	3,252	3,190	3,855	4,881	4,383	4,144
Western Australia	1,621	1,612	2,194	2,932	2,656	2,446
Tasmania..	1,138	1,131	1,513	1,999	1,668	1,674
Northern Territory ..	34	39	25	17	15	13
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	2	4	9	4	2	..
Total	33,666	33,141	40,540	51,552	46,869	44,731

* Large increase is mainly due to influenza epidemic.

BIRTHS, DEATHS, AND MARRIAGES—*continued.*

States and Territories.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
MARRIAGE RATES.—PER 1,000 OF MEAN POPULATION.						
New South Wales ..	6.96	6.79	7.91	9.75	8.79	8.18
Victoria..	6.73	6.43	7.95	9.85	8.90	8.27
Queensland	7.13	6.89	7.49	8.92	7.80	7.51
South Australia	7.36	7.07	8.23	10.03	8.81	8.19
Western Australia ..	5.30	5.24	6.87	8.90	7.97	7.21
Tasmania	5.86	5.70	7.38	9.50	7.82	7.79
Northern Territory ..	7.01	8.01	5.37	4.04	3.84	3.56
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	0.80	1.65	3.89	1.84	0.81	
Total	6.80	6.59	7.80	9.62	8.59	8.03
DEATHS OF CHILDREN UNDER 1 YEAR OF AGE, 1917 to 1922.						
New South Wales ..	2,986	2,993	3,486	3,744	3,418	2,957
Victoria	1,877	1,951	2,147	2,669	2,582	1,936
Queensland	1,066	1,107	1,344	1,281	1,101	1,007
South Australia	601	582	708	810	784	570
Western Australia ..	450	406	424	538	611	452
Tasmania	281	321	345	376	449	324
Northern Territory ..	3	3	7	12	5	4
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	2	1	3	1	2	1
Total	7,266	7,364	8,464	9,431	8,952	7,251
INFANTILE MORTALITY—PER 1,000 BIRTHS.						
New South Wales ..	56.93	59.02	71.83	69.41	62.56	53.60
Victoria..	56.82	61.75	67.90	73.70	72.55	53.35
Queensland	53.87	56.66	71.88	63.24	54.16	50.38
South Australia	53.06	51.25	64.01	67.34	65.48	47.50
Western Australia ..	57.09	57.13	61.12	66.02	78.26	55.59
Tasmania	52.27	60.80	64.97	65.51	78.02	55.70
Northern Territory ..	43.48	28.57	66.04	190.48	63.29	57.14
Fed. Cap. Territory ..	45.45	20.41	111.11	66.67	74.07	31.25
Total	55.91	58.57	69.21	69.14	65.73	52.74

ESTIMATED MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA, 1917 to 1922.

Year.	Arrivals.			Departures.			Excess of (*a*) over (*b*).
	Males.	Females.	Persons. (*a*)	Males.	Females.	Persons. (*b*)	
1917 ..	55,264	9,825	65,089	72,954	9,910	82,864	– 17,775
1918 ..	69,530	9,395	78,925	47,820	7,709	55,529	23,396
1919 ..	197,721	25,235	222,956	41,180	15,392	56,572	166,384
1920 ..	67,294	41,815	109,109	52,156	29,174	81,330	27,779
1921 ..	53,221	34,717	87,938	45,613	26,536	72,149	15,789
1922 ..	58,057	35,456	93,513	31,660	23,715	55,375	38,138

– Denotes an excess of (*b*) over (*a*).

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to Nationality or Race of Persons who arrived or departed, 1921 and 1922.

Nationality or Race.	Arrivals.		Departures.	
	Year.		Year.	
	1921.	1922.	1921.	1922.
British	76,674	80,278	59,249	46,247
Austrian	26	19	10	15
Danish	192	163	124	59
Dutch	311	217	264	126
French	514	553	367	382
German	245	166	291	151
Greek	228	468	194	82
Italian	1,346	3,358	551	666
Norwegian	272	103	244	55
Russian	117	145	202	40
Spanish	89	43	31	30
Swedish	231	88	251	52
Swiss	138	168	28	46
Turkish	4	3	7	4
United States	1,479	1,287	632	650
Other White	659	624	383	155
Total, White Nationalities or Races	82,525	87,683	62,828	48,760
Afghans	8	6	4	5
Armenians	6	2	5	1
Chinese	3,630	3,613	4,854	3,725
Japanese	452	540	963	483
Malays	40	252	319	187
Natives of India and Ceylon	481	431	556	399
Siamese	5	4	..	4
Syrians	53	91	34	35
Other Asiatics	12	199	209	110
Negroes, American	6	2	32	2
Papuans	168	336	79	121
Polynesians, Melanesians	218	279	395	277
Other Coloured	334	75	401	41
Total, Coloured Nationalities or Races	5,413	5,830	7,851	5,390
Allowance for unrecorded departures	..	..	1,470	1,225
TOTAL ALL NATIONALITIES OR RACES	87,938	93,513	72,149	55,375

MIGRATION—AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVALS and DEPARTURES according to the Countries whence the Persons arrived or to which they departed, 1921 and 1922.

Country.	Arrivals. Year.		Departures. Year.	
	1921.	1922.	1921.	1922.
United Kingdom	37,937	45,538	15,989	15,776
Canada	1,475	1,835	1,636	1,417
Fiji	1,490	1,200	1,809	1,078
Hong Kong	2,411	3,114	3,265	3,017
India and Ceylon	1,509	1,789	1,290	1,327
New Zealand	22,005	21,963	23,750	18,920
Norfolk Island	126	254	144	245
Papua	916	917	731	615
South African Union	1,928	1,871	2,113	1,621
Straits Settlements	1,457	1,135	1,603	1,108
Other British Possessions	1,761	2,412	2,534	1,802
Total, British Countries	73,015	82,028	54,864	46,926
China	760	259	516	318
France	889	1,240	1,041	751
Germany	1	5	2	6
Italy	1,447	4,100	255	788
Japan	495	662	909	640
New Caledonia	489	458	221	249
South Sea Islands	188	164	310	277
United States	1,726	1,685	1,722	1,645
Other Foreign Countries	1,306	1,453	1,795	1,161
Total, Foreign Countries	7,301	10,026	6,771	5,835
Crews discharged or shipped ..	7,622	*1,459	9,044	*1,389
Allowance for unrecorded departures ..	..	..	1,470	1,225
TOTAL, ALL COUNTRIES	87,938	93,513	72,149	55,375

* First six months only. The practice of recording crews has been discontinued as from 1st July, 1922.

NOMINATED AND SELECTED IMMIGRANTS WHO ARRIVED IN AUSTRALIA, 1917 TO 1922.

State.	Nominated.			Selected.			Total.
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	
New South Wales ..	3,358	2,860	6,218	650	219	869	7,087
Victoria	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Queensland ..	787	741	1,528	108	75	183	1,711
South Australia ..	401	425	826	650	55	705	1,531
Western Australia	710	744	1,454	2,476	443	2,919	4,373
Tasmania ..	120	149	269	70	72	142	411
Total Year 1922† ..	5,376	4,919	10,295	3,954	864	4,818	15,113
,, ,, 1921 ..	6,013	4,811	10,824	2,203	1,655	3,858	14,682
,, ,, 1920 ..	2,898	3,089	5,987	1,716	1,356	3,072	9,059
,, ,, 1919 ..	55	148	203	29	13	42	245
,, ,, 1918 ..	79	347	426	..	..	..	426
,, ,, 1917 ..	121	317	438	24	42	66	504

* Not available. † Exclusive of Victoria.

Section II.—Production.

PRINCIPAL CROPS—AUSTRALIA, 1917-18 TO 1922-23.

AREA UNDER CROPS.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Total under all Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1917–18 ..	9,774,658	615,800	332,057	2,212,914	186,358	14,298,982
1918–19 ..	7,990,165	768,152	286,812	2,692,904	171,024	13,332,393
1919–20 ..	6,419,160	1,068,296	265,469	3,125,653	159,037	13,296,407
1920–21 ..	9,072,167	936,996	284,283	3,233,189	174,001	15,069,858
1921–22 ..	9,719,042	733,406	305,186	2,994,519	197,293	15,357,024
1922–23 ..	9,803,535	..	..	..	..	..

TOTAL YIELD.

Season.	Grain.			Hay.	Sugar Cane.	Cane Sugar.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Maize.			
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
1917–18 ..	114,733,584	10,387,431	8,843,262	2,723,921	2,879,092	327,589
1918–19 ..	75,638,262	10,441,080	6,912,153	2,893,602	1,780,063	202,256
1919–20 ..	45,974,992	12,556,111	6,764,005	2,986,784	1,350,081	172,973
1920–21 ..	145,873,850	18,521,077	7,258,782	4,686,366	1,470,768	182,525
1921–22 ..	129,088,806	12,147,433	7,840,438	3,902,189	2,436,890	299,465
1922–23 ..	109,460,392	..	..	..	2,329,000	306,000

AVERAGE YIELD PER ACRE.

	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Tons.	Tons.†	Tons.†
1917–18 ..	11.74	16.87	26.63	1.23	25.19	2.87
1918–19 ..	9.47	13.59	24.10	1.07	15.33	1.74
1919–20 ..	7.16	11.75	25·48	0.96	15.05	1.93
1920–21 ..	16.08	19.77	25.53	1.45	15.54	1.93
1921–22 ..	13.28	16.56	25.69	1.30	18.99	2.33
1922–23 ..	11.17	..	..	..	..	..

† Per acre of productive cane.

AREA UNDER WHEAT, 1917–18 TO 1922–23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1917–18	†3,329,371	2,690,216	127,815	2,355,682	1,249,762	21,812	..	9,774,658
1918–19	†2,409,669	2,214,490	21,637	2,186,349	1,146,103	11,917	..	7,990,165
1919–20	†1,474,174	1,918,269	46,478	1,926,915	1,041,827	11,497	..	6,419,160
1920–21	†3,127,377	2,295,865	177,320	2,167,646	1,275,675	28,284	..	9,072,167
1921–22	†3,194,949	2,611,198	164,670	2,384,012	1,336,228	27,985	..	9,719,042
1922–23	2,962,140	2,644,314	149,803	2,474,000	1,550,778	22,500	..	9,803,535

† Including Federal Capital Territory, 515 acres in 1917–18, 36 acres in 1918–19, 139 acres in 1919–20, 602 acres in 1920–21, and 541 acres in 1921–22.

TOTAL YIELD OF WHEAT, 1917–18 to 1922–23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.
1917–18	*37,712,000	37,737,552	1,035,268	28,692,594	9,303,787	252,383	..	114,733,584
1918–19	*18,325,000	25,239,871	104,509	22,936,925	8,845,387	186,570	..	75,638,262
1919–20	*4,388,022	14,858,380	311,638	14,980,413	11,222,950	213,589	..	45,974,992
1920–21	*55,625,000	39,468,625	3,707,357	34,258,914	12,248,080	565,874	..	145,873,850
1921–22	*42,767,000	43,867,596	3,025,786	24,946,525	13,904,721	577,178	..	129,088,806
1922–23	28,594,000	35,697,220	1,901,246	28,775,200	14,042,726	450,000	..	109,460,392

* Including Federal Capital Territory, 7,374 bushels 1917–18, 300 bushels 1918–19, 813 bushels 1919–20, 14,007 bushels in 1920–21, and 7,611 bushels in 1921–22.

Principal Crops—Australia, 1917-18 to 1922-23—*continued.*

AVERAGE YIELD OF WHEAT PER ACRE, 1917-18 to 1922-23.

Season.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels.	Bushels	Bushels.
1917–8	11.33	14.03	8.10	12.18	7.44	11.57	..	11.74
1918–9	7.60	11.40	4.83	10.49	7.72	15.66	..	9.47
1919–20	2.98	7.75	6.71	7.77	10.77	18·58	..	7.16
1920–21	17.79	17.19	20.91	15.80	9.60	20.01	..	16.08
1921–22	13.39	16.80	18.37	10.46	10.41	20.62	..	13·28
1922–23	9.65	13.50	12.69	11.63	9.06	20.00	..	11.17

NUMBER OF PRINCIPAL LIVE STOCK, 1917 to 1921.

31st Dec.	N.S.W. †	Victoria. §	Q'land.	S. Aust. †	W. Aust.	Tasmania. §	N. Ter.	Fed. Cap. Ter.†	Total.
				SHEEP.					
1917	38,482,465	14,760,013	17,204,268	6,229,519	6,384,191	1,711,116	54,709	138,731	84,965,012
1918	37,243,770	15,773,902	18,220,985	6,625,184	7,183,747	1,841,924	58,620	138,104	87,086,236
1919	29,077,514	14,422,745	17,379,332	6,014,565	6,697,951	1,781,425	8,811	171,739	75,554,082
1920	33,691,838	12,171,084	17,404,840	6,359,944	6,532,965	1,570,832	6,062	159,990	77,897,555
1921	37,025,716	12,325,818	18,402,399	6,257,052	6,506,177	1,551,273	6,349	151,686	82,226,470
				CATTLE.					
1917	3,148,309	1,371,049	5,316,558	313,245	927,086	197,938	541,545	13,408	11,829,138
1918	3,271,782	1,596,544	5,786,744	342,768	943,847	218,234	570,039	8,894	12,738,852
1919	3,075,954	1,631,120	5,940,433	349,562	880,644	214,442	610,534	8,378	12,711,067
1920	3,367,880	1,575,159	6,455,067	376,399	849,803	208,202	659,840	7,387	13,499,737
1921	3,538,240	1,750,369	7,047,370	419,197	893,108	216,704	656,803	8,290	14,530,081
				HORSES.					
1917	740,806	514,061	731,977	262,840	178,151	42,396	26,231	1,441	2,497,903
1918	721,302	523,788	758,632	269,255	180,094	41,221	31,436	1,421	2,527,149
1919	660,751	513,500	730,326	264,901	174,919	39,452	35,839	1,513	2,421,201
1920	661,846	487,503	741,024	268,187	178,664	39,117	37,837	1,332	2,415,510
1921	668,501	496,124	746,281	267,639	180,334	38,439	39,565	1,299	2,438,182
				PIGS.					
1917	395,639	323,159	172,699	110,353	111,844	54,653	500	518	1,169,365
1918	294,338	267,819	140,966	79,078	85,863	44,328	1,200	310	913,902
1919	253,338	186,810	99,593	60,295	58,155	35,530	1,675	572	695,968
1920	305,967	175,275	104,370	78,395	60,581	38,116	1,416	286	764,406
1921	383,326	230,770	145,083	87,667	63,001	49,743	452	343	960,385

† As at 30th June year following. § As at 1st March year following.

WOOL (AS IN THE GREASE) PRODUCED—1917-18 TO 1921-22.

Season ended 30th June.	N.S.W. *	Victoria.	Q'land. †	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1918..	284,188,000	105,424,682	87,425,558	46,339,339	39,701,357	9,927,044	330,000	573,335,980
1919..	305,613,000	126,647,061	113,777,272	55,947,108	45,317,271	10,279,998	330,000	657,911,710
1920..	296,641,000	132,847,167	118,035,461	58,306,918	46,299,381	11,069,237	50,000	663,249,164
1921..	240,231,000	90,250,571	114,809,963	48,953,503	43,714,630	9,503,048	40,000	547,502,715
1922..	285,418,000	103,512,777	132,579,733	54,038,262	46,301,039	9,634,624	30,000	631,514,435

* Including Federal Capital Territory. † For year ended previous 31st December.

PRINCIPAL DAIRY PRODUCE, 1917 to 1921.

Year.	N.S.W. *	Victoria. *	Q'land.	S. Aust. *	W. Aust.	Tas.	N.T.	Fed. Cap. Ter.*	Total.
				BUTTER.					
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917 ..	80,460,225	64,405,711	38,930,690	10,482,895	1,361,484	4,848,227	..	7,782	200,497,014
1918 ..	65,991,738	66,240,403	32,371,575	10,444,789	1,789,390	4,947,560	..	17,220	181,802,675
1919 ..	63,127,160	60,218,945	26 213,514	9,810,335	1,980,273	4,290,724	..	7,840	165.648,791
1920 ..	84,259,641	64,938,458	40,751,373	11,897,279	2,212,311	4,014,402	..	8,400	208,081,864
1921 ..	100,652,620	82,981,570	60,923,194	14,565,599	2,658,153	5,270,243	..	19,961	267,071,340
				CHEESE.					
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917 ..	7,799,676	5,285,003	11,142,114	2,449,716	100	754,196	..	..	27,430,805
1918 ..	5,982,120	6,055,964	8,636,700	2,412,388	200	702,868	..	..	23,790,240
1919 ..	6,762,467	7,735,023	8,296,318	2,540,183	821	861,460	..	..	26,196,273
1920 ..	6,407,209	3,636,571	11,512,262	1,804,696	354	799,432	..	..	24,160,524
1921 ..	7,367,057	5,675,909	15,200,527	3,392,400	1,073	1,016,037	..	..	32,653,003
				BACON AND HAMS.					
	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.	lb.
1917 ..	18,544,053	21,324,846	14,791,540	6,591,064	†2,362,604	1,298,819	..	11,091	64,924,017
1918 ..	16,801,370	22,212,395	16,476,480	6,567,394	†2,813,650	1,309,633	..	296	66,181,218
1919 ..	16,657,362	19,385,509	12 155,489	5,810,616	†2,609,284	1,128,096	..	12,236	57,758,592
1920 ..	16.249,762	15,139,100	11,337,050	4,172,372	†2,077,662	1,267,061	..	7,480	50,250,487
1921 ..	20,413,330	17.396,798	12.386,417	5,089,424	†1,962,621	1,356,329	..	9,540	58.614,459

* Year ending 30th June year following. † Including Bacon and Ham cured in Western Australia from animals slaughtered in other States.

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL MINERALS PRODUCED, 1917 to 1921.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
				GOLD.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917 ..	349,038	857,500	761,639	30,334	4,121,645	61,577	*3,677	6,185,410
1918 ..	369,743	674,655	567,371	26,252	3,723.183	44,724	*2,229	5,408,157
1919 ..	336,240	691,632	618.101	16 465	3,748,882	39,252	*4.234	5,454,806
1920 ..	275 109	859,461	648,168	9,546	3 475,392	35,134	*5,282	5,308.092
1921 ..	271,302	554,087	214,060	13,933	2,935,693	28,311	*1,299	4,018,685
1922 ..	118,359	501,515	372,279	4,693	2,525,806	16,100	1,103	3,539,855
				SILVER AND LEAD.				
1917 ..	5,110,096	1,406	55,181	12,351	178,872	152,122	*275	5,510,303
1918 ..	5,739,509	1,319	36,645	10,492	189,636	127,176	*200	6,104,977
1919 ..	1,647,878	1,607	28,511	180	107,508	136,234	*132	1,922,050
1920 ..	123,481	1,714	135,559	2,646	190,484	309,035	*299	763,218
1921 ..	1,327,364	862	54,188	240	67,521	89,817	..	1,539,992
				COPPER.				
1917 ..	814,154	..	2,208,232	902,495	85,738	847,754	*5,517	4,863,890
1918 ..	696,580	..	2,087,751	828,556	66,146	776,106	*9,648	4,464,787
1919 ..	139.296	..	952,501	228,930	10,105	558.694	*2.349	1,891,875
1920 ..	127,978	..	1,551,995	423,601	25,165	528,237	*680	2,657,756
1921 ..	41,267	..	168,556	106,370	24,601	463,163	..	803,957

* Year ended 30th June.

Value of Principal Minerals Produced, 1917 to 1921—*continued.*

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	N. Ter.	Total.
TIN.								
1917 ..	373,696	19,709	160,600	..	45,288	427,917	*27,120	1,054,330
1918 ..	548,876	24,481	251,755	..	76,952	488,798	*41,432	1,432,294
1919 ..	416,623	17,561	143,167	..	47,269	395,794	*30,021	1,050,435
1920 ..	413,794	12,815	252,054	..	49,449	369,362	*27,610	1,125,084
1921 ..	163,451	11,961	98,471	..	6,485	130,257	*7,793	418,418
COAL.								
1917 ..	4,422,740	345,830	597,360	..	191,822	38,673	..	5,596,425
1918 ..	4,941,807	367,640	572,305	..	204,319	37,676	..	6,123,747
1919 ..	5,422,846	406.617	614,307	..	270,355	47,004	..	6,761,129
1920 ..	7,723,355	528,919	841,551	..	350,346	64,005	..	9,508,176
1921 ..	9,078,388	634,397	831,483	..	407,117	63,446	..	11,014,831
ALL MINERALS.								
1917 ..	11,970,388	1,294,240	4,012,977	1,451,854	4,629,027	1,582,322	*56,903	24,997,711
1918 ..	13,220,135	1,102,652	3,740,925	1,441,885	4,265,577	1,597,694	*92,730	25,461,598
1919 ..	8,911,725	1,151,980	2,575,225	771,659	4,191,973	1,307,692	*71,697	18,981,951
1920 ..	9,791,979	1,435,135	3,617,870	1,150,849	4,110,376	1,426,442	*80,101	21,612,752
1921 ..	12,052,509	1,218,783	1,495,899	904,659	3,463,764	822,767	*19,003	19,977,384

* Year ended 30th June.

ESTIMATED VALUE OF PRODUCTION—AUSTRALIA, 1916 to 1920-21.

Year.	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing. *	Total.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
1916 ..	60,207	89,939	26,949	5,505	23,606	64,205	270,411
1917 ..	57,967	93,435	31,326	5,523	25,581	69,797	283,629
1918 ..	58,080	98,297	33,738	7,137	26,156	75,261	298,669
1919–20 ..	72,234	109,062	38,830	10,170	19,725	98,162	348,183
1920–21 ..	112,796	93,824	52,613	10,490	22,457	110,028	402,208

* These amounts differ from those given in the following tables, owing to certain products which are there included having been included in Dairy Farming and Forestry in this Table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—AUSTRALIA, 1918 to 1921-22.

Year.	No. of Establishments.	Hands Employed.	Salaries and Wages Paid. *	Value of Plant, Machinery, Land and Buildings.	Value of Materials Used.	Value added by Manufacture.	Value of Output.
1918†	15,421	328,049	38,379,268	96,588,009	146,081,401	79,672,210	225,753,611
1918–19‖	15,588	340,475	42,506,095	102,176,713	162,482,772	86,574,116	249,056,888
1919–20‖	16,291	376,734	52,115,558	113,017,165	187,722,877	104,813,731	292,536,608
1920–21‖	17,113	386,639	62,931,718	129,486,738	205,866,282	118,720,237	324,586,519
1921–22‖	18,018	395,023	67,894,264	145,422,214	190,147,621	129,679,892	319,827,513

* Exclusive of amounts drawn by working proprietors. † New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June. ‖ See note ‡ following table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—DETAILS FOR STATES—1919-20 to 1921-22.

Particulars.		N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
1919–20.‡								
1. Factories ..	..No.	5,662	6,038	1,754	1,368	817	652	16,291
2. Hands employed* ..	.. ,,	144,454	136,522	40,891	29,442	15,409	10,016	376,734
3. Wages paid† ..	.. £	21,681,196	17,702,173	5,364,818	3,988,062	2,173,350	1,205,959	52,115,558
4. Value of fuel used ..	.. ,,	2,710,666	1,723,220	531,612	558,802	222,334	112,555	5,859,189
5. ,, materials used ..	.. ,,	81,188,497	65,563,104	19,386,068	12,970,957	5,051,114	3,563,137	187,722,877
6. ,, added in process of manufacture	,,	42,024,983	35,912,259	13,066,676	7,483,582	3,672,814	2,653,417	104,813,731
7. ,, of output of fctrs.	,,	123,213,480	101,475,363	32,452,744	20,454,539	8,723,928	6,216,554	292,536,608
8. ,, land & buildings	,,	24,108,890	14,957,585	5,886,215	3,977,099	3,132,014	955,768	53,017,571
9. ,, plant & mchnry.	,,	26,366,083	15,846,935	8,867,803	3,931,562	2,938,889	2,048,322	59,999,594
1920–21.‡								
1. Factories ..	..No.	5,837	6,532	1,795	1,438	895	616	17,113
2. Hands employed* ..	.. ,,	145,011	140,743	43,196	30,430	17,034	10,225	386,639
3. Wages paid† ..	.. £	25,618,591	21,377,216	6,718,905	4,866,211	2,870,567	1,480,228	62,931,718
4. Value of fuel used ..	.. ,,	3,608,744	2,184,096	766,590	704,775	273,061	155,222	7,692,488
5. ,, materials used ..	.. ,,	91,104,505	65,401,425	24,073,200	14,375,430	6,677,414	4,234,308	205,866,282
6. ,, added in process of manufacture	,,	46,736,881	40,606,869	15,710,478	7,982,679	4,765,666	2,917,664	118,720,237
7. ,, of output of fctrs.	,,	137,841,386	106,008,294	39,783,678	22,358,109	11,443,080	7,151,972	324,586,519
8. ,, land & buildings	,,	28,428,917	17,313,350	6,261,266	4,495,667	3,350,608	981,660	60,831,468
9. ,, plant & mchnry.	,,	31,115,444	18,179,385	9,615,509	4,473,247	3,340,158	1,931,527	68,655,270
1921–22.‡								
1. Factories ..	..No.	6,351	6,753	1,810	1,432	986	686	18,018
2. Hands employed* ..	.. ,,	148,482	144,876	42,248	31,171	18,119	10,127	395,023
3. Wages paid† ..	.. £	26,626,645	23,846,495	7,217,773	5,313,927	3,386,550	1,502,874	67,894,264
4. Value of fuel used ..	.. ,,	3,918,944	2,329,760	668,224	798,495	324,619	151,553	8,191,595
5. ,, materials used ..	.. ,,	81,827,752	60,352,561	24,808,420	14,087,930	6,087,693	2,983,265	190 147,621
6. ,, added in process of manufacture	,,	50,479,061	45,890,620	15,525,878	9,766,927	5,204,046	2,813,360	129,679,892
7. ,, of output of fctrs.	,,	132,306,813	106,243,181	40,334,298	23,854,857	11,291,739	5,796,625	319,827,513
8. ,, land & buildings	,,	32,166,262	19,810,170	6,373,504	4,711,022	3,206,295	1,169,164	67,436,417
9. ,, plant & mchnry.	,,	35,129,647	21,182,110	10,253,104	4,896,264	3,596,877	2,927,795	77,985,797

* Includes working proprietors. † Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors. ‡ Queensland, Western Australia, and Tasmania for year ended 31st December; New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June, six months later.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES—VALUE ADDED BY PROCESSES OF MANUFACTURE—AUSTRALIA, 1918 to 1920-21.

Industries.	1918. †	1918–19. ‡	1919–20. ‡	1920–21. ‡
	£	£	£	£
Treating raw materials, product of agricultural and pastoral, etc., pursuits	3,867,253	4,248,004	5,960,804	3,960,255
Treating oils and fats	1,366,219	1,359,159	1,620,230	1,434,693
Processes in stone, clay, glass, etc.	2,892,919	3,677,998	4,743,122	6,638,626
Working in wood	4,961,380	5,431,701	7,068,844	8,747,762
Metal works, machinery, etc.	17,090,920	17,404,313	18,227,976	24,747,266
Connected with food and drink, etc.	18,396,327	20,247,950	24,813,602	24,637,078
Clothing and textile fabrics, etc.	10,671,416	11,607,339	15,495,773	17,220,926
Books, paper, printing and engraving	5,740,863	5,903,113	7,024,935	8,532,291
Musical instruments, etc.	157,017	174,140	241,895	340,060
Arms and explosives	565,322	547,487	415,950	425,892
Vehicles & fittings, saddlery, harness, etc.	2,112,032	2,376,200	3,053,731	3,691,501
Ship and boat building and repairing	818,057	1,322,143	2,009,532	1,928,092
Furniture, bedding, and upholstery	1,627,932	1,759,600	2,311,437	2,787,103
Drugs, chemicals, and by-products	1,958,153	2,170,737	2,483,291	2,718,054
Surgical and other scientific instruments	84,625	98,489	99,408	132,203
Jewellery, timepieces, and platedware	407,897	474,145	644,194	687,591
Heat, light, and power	5,849,668	6,495,601	6,890,065	8,067,226
Leatherware, n.e.i.	293,230	326,386	484,972	505,405
Minor Wares, n.e.i.	810,980	949,611	1,223,970	1,518,213
	79,672,210	86,574,116	104,813,731	118,720,237

† New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June. ‡ See note ‡ previous Table.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Percentage of Each Item of Outlay on Value of Total Output, 1921–22.

Particulars.	N.S.W. †	Victoria. †	Q'land.	S. Aust. †	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Wages*	20.12	22.45	17.89	22.27	29.99	25.93	21.23
Fuel	2.96	2.19	1.66	3.35	2.88	2.61	2.56
Materials used ..	61.85	56.81	61.51	59.06	53.91	51.47	59.45
Margin for profits and miscellaneous expenses & charges	15.07	18.55	18.94	15.32	13.22	19.99	16.76
Total Output	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Wages per cent. to added value‡ ..	52.75	51.96	46.49	54.41	65.08	53.42	52.36

* Exclusive of amount drawn by working proprietors. † For year ended 30th June, 1922.

‡ By "added value" is meant the amount by which the value of raw materials has been enhanced by those processes of manufacture to which the wages relate.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Amount of Salaries and Wages paid per Employee*, 1918 to 1921–22.

Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918† ..	126.18	110.77	129.45	131.94	138.55	115.57	121.75
1918–19‡ ..	137.33	120.47	129.45	136.64	138.55	115.57	129.80
1919–20‡ ..	154.87	135.52	135.86	141.63	145.24	126.03	143.65
1920–21‡ ..	182.39	159.41	161.12	166.96	173.60	150.86	169.28
1921–22‡ ..	185.44	172.84	177.12	177.76	192.02	156.93	178.94

* Exclusive of working proprietors. † New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June. ‡ Queensland, Western Australia, and Tasmania for year ended 31st December; New South Wales, Victoria, and South Australia for year ended 30th June, six months later.

MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES.—Average Number of Males and Females Employed, 1921–22.

	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
Males	111,902	97,789	35,050	25,006	15,514	8,525	293,786
Females	36,580	47,087	7,198	6,165	2,605	1,602	101,237
Masculinity* ..	50.7	35.0	65.9	60.4	71.2	68.4	48.7

* Excess of Males over Females per 100 of both sexes combined.

Section III.—Shipping and Commerce.

SHIPPING.—NET TONNAGE ENTERED AND CLEARED—AUSTRALIA, 1918-19 to 1922-23.

Year.	Tonnage Entered.			Tonnage Cleared.		
	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.	With Cargo.	In Ballast.	Total.
1918–19 ..	2,220,159	1,018,901	3,239,060	2,824,741	116,685	2,941,426
1919–20 ..	2,593,961	1,447,583	4,041,544	3,957,273	87,690	4,044,963
1920–21 ..	3,236,111	1,522,805	4,758,916	4,621,333	122,769	4,744,102
1921–22 ..	3,108,342	1,451,622	4,559,964	4,432,686	88,223	4,520,909
1921–22 (6 mths)	1,511,144	614,753	2,125,897	1,975,743	20,313	1,996,056
1922–23 ,,	1,926,388	314,454	2,240,842	2,010,364	95,119	2,105,483

OVERSEA AND INTERSTATE TONNAGE OF CARGO—Discharged and shipped, States, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

NOTE.—Cargo recorded by measurement has been converted to tons on the basis of 40 cubic feet = 1 ton.

State.	Discharged.			Shipped.		
	Oversea.	Inter-State.	Total.	Oversea.	Inter-State.	Total.
	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.	tons.
1921–22.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,043,582	1,246,304	2,289,886	2,662,784	3,260,737	5,923,521
Victoria ..	848,260	2,077,233	2,925,493	1,299,029	537,372	1,836,401
Queensland ..	127,485	420,315	547,800	237,964	438,840	676,804
South Australia	246,820	1,067,601	1,314,421	1,031,772	720,267	1,752,039
Western Aust.	136,062	312,381	448,443	498,608	95,632	594,240
Tasmania ..	16,631	316,026	332,657	85,954	480,418	566,372
Northern Terr.	1,137	3,744	4,881	63	450	513
Total ..	2,419,977	5,443,604	7,863,581	5,816,174	5,533,716	11,349,890
1920–21.						
N.S. Wales ..	1,441,645	1,326,294	2,767,939	3,377,843	2,811,376	6,189,219
Victoria ..	1,075,380	1,758,929	2,834,309	899,230	609,623	1,508,853
Queensland ..	154,286	433,159	587,445	260,019	361,818	621,837
South Australia	339,857	861,794	1,201,651	871,223	706,711	1,577,934
Western Aust.	166,519	326,032	492,551	473,748	83,880	557,628
Tasmania ..	23,243	281,521	304,764	42,839	418,288	461,127
Northern Terr.	285	5,301	5,586	231	1,982	2,213
Total ..	3,201,215	4,993,030	8,194,245	5,925,133	4,993,678	10,918,811
Total 1919–20	2,238,298	4,274,168	6,512,466	4,984,946	4,415,909	9,400,855
,, 1918–19	2,312,288	4,538,592	6,850,880	3,813,651	4,495,258	8,308,909
,, 1917–18	2,012,387	4,709,076	6,721,463	2,613,561	4,833,428	7,446,989

OVERSEA SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES BETWEEN AUSTRALIA AND THE UNITED KINGDOM AND CONTINENT AS AT 31st MARCH, 1923.

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVE ANIMALS—

Butter (Refrigerator)	5s. per box.
Margarine, in tins	70s. per ton measurement.
Cheese (Refrigerator)	1½d. per lb.
Meats, Potted or Concentrated	70s. per ton measurement.
Meats, Preserved by Cold Process (Refrigerator)—	
Beef	1½d. per lb.
Lamb	1½d. per lb.
Mutton	1½d. per lb.
Rabbits and Hares	100s. per ton measurement.
Preserved in tins	1½d. per lb.
Other	1½d. per lb.
Milk and Cream	1½d. per lb.
All other Animal Foodstuffs	1½d. per lb.

Oversea Shipping Freight Rates between Australia and the United Kingdom and Continent as at 31st March, 1923—*continued.*

(40 Cubic Feet = 1 Ton Measurement.)

FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN—	
Biscuits, Dried Fruits, Jams and Jellies	70s. per ton measurement.
Fruits, Fresh—Apples (Refrigerator)	4s. 6d. per case.
Oranges (bushel cases)	4s. 6d. per case.
Wheat, Unprepared	35s. per ton weight.
Flour, Wheaten	35s. per ton weight.
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	70s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (NON-ALCOHOLIC) AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING	70s. per ton measurement.
BEVERAGES (ALCOHOLIC)	70s. per ton measurement.
TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF	70s. per ton measurement.
ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY MANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS—	
Skins, Calf	$\frac{5}{8}$d. per lb.
Rabbit and Hare	1$\frac{5}{8}$d. per lb.
Sheep	$\frac{7}{8}$d. per lb.
Other	1$\frac{5}{8}$d. per lb.
Pearlshell	70s. per ton measurement.
Wool—Greasy	1$\frac{1}{2}$d. per lb., + 5 per cent.
Scoured and Washed	1$\frac{1}{2}$d. per lb., + 5 per cent.
Tops	1$\frac{7}{8}$d. per lb.,
All other Animal Substances	1$\frac{1}{2}$d. per lb., + 5 per cent.
VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES—	
Bark, Tanning (Chopped)	70s. per ton weight.
(Ground)	52s. 6d. per ton weight.
Copra	61s. 3d. per ton weight.
Sandalwood	70s. per ton measurement.
Fibre	87s. 6d. per ton weight.
APPAREL, TEXTILES, AND MANUFACTURED FIBRE—	
Boots and Shoes	70s. per ton measurement.
All other Apparel	70s. per ton measurement.
Binder Twine	122s. 6d. per ton weight.
OILS, FATS, AND WAXES—	
Oil, Coconut	87s. 6d. per ton weight.
Tallow, Unrefined	78s. 9d. per ton weight.
Beeswax	70s. per ton measurement.
Dripping	cases 70s. per ton measurement.
	casks 78s. 9d. per ton weight.
PAINTS AND VARNISHES	70s. per ton measurement.
ORES AND METALS, UNMANUFACTURED OR PARTLY MANUFACTURED—	
Zinc—Dross	45s. per ton weight.
Dust or Sheets	61s. 3d. per ton weight.
LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES OF LEATHER AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR	70s. per ton measurement.
WOOD, RAW AND MANUFACTURED—	
Timber, Sawn (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.
Squared or Round (under 2 tons weight per piece)	11s. per 100 super. feet.
PAPER AND STATIONERY	70s. per ton measurement.
DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS—	
Oil, Eucalyptus	70s. per ton measurement.
MISCELLANEOUS—	
Soap	70s. per ton measurement.
BRONZE SPECIE	15 per cent.

INTERSTATE AND NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING FREIGHT RATES, 31st MARCH, 1923.

(Per Ton Weight or Measurement, 1 Ton Meas. = 40 Cubic Feet.)

To—	From— Brisbane.	Sydney.	Melbourne.
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Brisbane	..	20 0	30 0
Sydney	20 0	..	20 0
Melbourne	30 0	20 0	..
Adelaide	37 6	25 0	20 0
Fremantle	60 0	40 0	35 0
Perth	60 0*	40 0*	35 0*
Hobart	..	20 0	20 0
Launceston	..	..	17 6
Devonport	..	..	
Burnie	..	..	
Auckland	..	35 0	62 3†
Wellington	..	35 0	
Lyttleton	..	35 0	63 9†
Dunedin	..	35 0	
Papua	..	60 0	87 6
Territory of New Guinea	..	60 0	87 6

* Plus lighterage, 8s. 6d. per ton measurement, or 9s. 6d. per ton weight.
† Includes transhipment expenses; direct rates 35s. 0d.

COMMERCE.—VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA IMPORTS, 1917–18 to 1921–22.

States and Territories.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	29,519,986	46,013,102	44,691,959	72,466,306	43,321,478
Victoria	21,113,588	35,026,311	33,788,287	57,608,777	36,352,056
Queensland	4,492,746	6,075,649	7,218,694	11,840,442	8,639,446
South Australia	4,181,322	6,502,319	7,473,893	12,381,973	9,047,242
Western Australia	2,505,271	8,083,852	4,959,062	7,219,538	4,308,141
Tasmania	489,249	608,786	813,341	2,264,933	1,385,958
Northern Territory	32,287	25,140	29,056	19,857	12,115
Total	62,334,449	102,335,159	98,974,292	163,801,826	103,066,436

VALUE OF DIRECT OVERSEA EXPORTS, 1917–18 to 1921–22.*

States and Territories.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales	39,619,093	51,027,359	55,017,065	52,601,798	48,012,511
Victoria	20,716,688	28,095,159	43,124,940	34,871,961	34,644,182
Queensland	10,960,811	12,447,616	14,403,922	15,171,884	17,573,103
South Australia	5,148,977	11,570,470	20,530,355	17,773,919	14,747,260
Western Australia	3,763,610	9,444,021	14,459,097	10,395,015	10,797,000
Tasmania	951,623	1,002,093	2,010,503	1,329,583	2,067,443
Northern Territory	268,419	377,258	277,627	14,752	5,036
Total	81,429,221	113,963,976	149,823,509	132,158,912	127,846,535

* Goods destined for oversea countries are largely transferred from one State to another for transhipment to the oversea country. In this table such goods are shown against the State from which they were finally despatched.

EXTERNAL TRADE—AUSTRALIA—VALUE AND VALUE PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

Year.	Value.					Value per Head.									
	Total Trade.	Imports.	Exports.			Total Trade.			Imports.			Exports.			
			Aust. Produce.	Other Produce.	Total.							Aust. Produce.		Other Produce.		Total.		
	£	£	£	£	£	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1917–18	143,763,670	62,334,449	78,448,915	2,980,306	81,429,221*	28	17	0	12	10	3	15	14	10	0	11	11	16	6	9
1918–19	216,299,135	102,335,159	106,026,801	7,937,175	113,963,976*	42	11	4	20	2	9	20	17	4	1	11	3	22	8	7
1919–20	248,797,801	98,974,292	144,569,324	5,254,185	149,823,509*	46	18	1	18	13	2	27	5	1	0	19	10	28	4	11
1920–21	295,960,738	163,801,826	126,430,681	5,728,231	132,158,912*	54	14	0	30	5	7	23	7	3	1	1	2	24	8	5
1921–22	230,912,971	103,066,436	123,487,512	4,359,023	127,846,535*	41	18	2	18	14	1	22	8	3	0	15	10	23	4	1

* Does not include the value of Stores shipped in Australian Ports on board oversea ships. The value of Ships' Stores was in 1917–18, £1,389,291; in 1918–19, £1,765,367; in 1919–20, £2,688,371; in 1920–21, £3,560,648; and in 1921-22, £3,152,604.

Year.	Imports.			Exports.			Excess of Exports.		
	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.	Merchandise.	Specie and Bullion.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917–18	60,681,924	1,652,525	62,334,449	74,039,305	7,389,916	81,429,221	13,357,381	5,737,391	19,094,772
1918–19	95,264,120	7,071,039	102,335,159	104,773,772	9,190,203	113,963,975	9,509,652	2,119,164	11,628,816
1919–20	98,928,206	46,086	98,974,292	143,189,293	6,634,216	149,823,509	44,261,087	6,588,130	50,849,217
1920–21	163,781,682	20,144	163,801,826	126,710,172	5,448,740	132,158,912	–37,071,510	5,428,596	–31,642,914
1921–22	103,023,132	43,304	103,066,436	123,517,835	4,328,700	127,846,535	20,494,703	4,285,396	24,780,099

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE REVENUE—AUSTRALIA.

Gross Revenue from Customs and Excise, under the Sixteen Tariff Divisions, and Total Net Revenue collected, during the March Quarter of 1922 and 1923, during the first nine months of 1921-22 and 1922-23, and during the financial years 1920-21 and 1921-22.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to Revision.)

Division.	March Quarter.		Nine Months.		Financial Year.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.	1920–21.	1921–22.
CUSTOMS.	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Ales, Spirits, and Beverages	483,098	522,540	1,440,151	1,696,633	1,778,485	1,984,781
2. Tobacco, and Manufactures thereof	479,423	491,956	1,425,904	1,506,082	1,818,664	1,923,971
3. Sugar	2,467	2,620	10,669	8,054	3,358	13,820
4. Agricultural Products and Groceries	277,728	288,430	730,612	902,623	842,486	972,851
5. Textiles, &c., and Attire	1,430,600	1,706,344	3,262,788	4,855,622	6,403,984	4,641,719
6. Metals and Machinery	858,303	1,058,072	2,732,489	3,030,439	4,910,823	3,624,842
7. Oils, Paints, and Varnishes	119,081	146,262	324,432	409,436	590,105	441,734
8. Earthenware, &c.	129,773	135,738	383,108	443,802	661,734	518,128
9. Drugs and Chemicals	109,176	131,982	306,722	439,956	443,303	418,507
10. Wood, Wicker, and Cane	157,841	303,504	370,157	754,429	551,934	564,998
11. Jewellery and Fancy Goods	111,317	143,485	417,282	566,338	728,003	558,473
12. Leather and Rubber	143,222	314,951	353,605	822,369	716,415	529,400
13. Paper and Stationery	166,644	187,162	488,735	595,738	1,122,591	656,677
14. Vehicles	195,223	424,107	491,474	1,103,435	1,055,130	738,430
15. Musical Instruments	52,377	65,018	128,312	171,937	242,619	173,206
16. Miscellaneous	124,654	181,542	381,306	528,546	753,763	510,232
Other Miscellaneous Receipts	10,781	12,986	35,462	39,189	52,069	52,847
Total Customs	4,851,708	6,116,699	13,283,208	17,874,628	22,675,466	18,324,616
EXCISE.						
Beer	1,470,414	1,524,693	4,295,422	4,344,556	5,486,605	5,499,576
Spirits	351,023	365,853	1,031,892	1,084,750	1,562,886	1,513,647
Starch	3,776	4,375	13,488	14,585	12,741	16,847
Tobacco, Cigars, Cigarettes, and Snuff	802,023	732,396	2,486,833	2,348,626	3,054,147	3,289,502
Licences, &c.	1,541	2,258	12,714	12,628	12,547	12,723
Total Excise	2,628,777	2,629,575	7,840,349	7,805,145	10,128,926	10,332,295
Total Gross Customs and Excise Collections	7,480,485	8,746,274	21,123,557	25,679,773	32,804,392	28,656,911
Drawbacks and Repayments	236,703	233,833	817,215	718,931	991,533	1,044,736
TOTAL NET REVENUE	7,243,782	8,512,441	20,306,342	24,960,842	31,812,859	27,612,175

IMPORTS INTO AUSTRALIA of the undermentioned classes of goods—the produce or manufacture of the United Kingdom, Canada, Germany, Japan, the United States of America, and all countries during the six months ending 31st December, 1922.

Classes of Goods.	United Kingdom.	Canada.	Germany.*	Japan.	U.S. America.	Total all Countries.
	£	£	£	£	£	£
1. Foodstuffs of animal origin	138,244	96,553	142	4,172	149,404	724,157
2. Foodstuffs of vegetable origin, non-alcoholic beverages	284,660	981	213	11,409	116,831	2,869,210
3. Spirituous and alcoholic liquors	777,474	2,147	224	2	36	906,001
4. Tobacco and preparations thereof	74,024	74	144	27	585,627	784,073
5. Live animals	15,017	77	..	..	316	38,282
6. Animal substances (mainly unmanufactured) not foodstuffs	41,055	121	216	771	9,231	439,046
7. Vegetable substances and fibres	60,280	168	578	35,257	32,809	1,408,741
8. Apparel, textiles, and manufactured fibres	17,122,521	143,372	12,986	1,817,716	1,439,955	25,229,567
9. Oils, fats, and waxes	135,576	95	82	25,572	1,640,817	2,821,730
10. Paints and varnishes	179,489	1,549	418	243	52,047	249,640
11. Stones and minerals, including ores and concentrates	39,949	382	121	4	56,291	145,176
12. Metals, metal manufactures, and machinery	8,732,850	1,174,051	75,246	39,678	4,796,069	15,721,830
13. Rubber and leather and manufactures thereof	313,890	160,652	5,518	296	534,687	1,189,922
14. Wood and wicker, raw and manufactured	80,612	169,712	1,133	68,527	738,122	1,903,723
15. Earthenware, cement, chain, glass, and stoneware	688,489	1,277	4,334	126,989	80,288	1,134,982
16. Paper and stationery	1,784,592	416,767	9,470	15,978	337,047	3,176,527
17. Jewellery, timepieces, and fancy goods	542,2[illegible]	1,199	21,954	107,118	127,318	1,324,459
18. Optical, surgical, and scientific instruments	241,956	3,201	7,758	3,159	304,085	594,191
19. Drugs, chemicals, and fertilizers	992,638	3,758	21,762	16,533	351,076	2,010,385
20. Miscellaneous	2,008,096	22,615	39,292	95,046	371,346	2,954,494
21. Gold, silver, and bronze specie	1,792	..	..	..	282	21,192
Total	34,255,499	2,198,751	201,591	2,368,497	11,723,684	65,647,328

* Prior to 1st August, 1922, the importation of German goods was prohibited.

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE OF AUSTRALIAN ORIGIN EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA, 1917-18 TO 1921-22.

Year.	Butter.	Flour.	Wheat.	Wool.		Mutton and Lamb.	Beef.
				Greasy.	Scoured.		
			QUANTITY.				
	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.	Centals.
1917–18	722,775	7,481,656	13,789,063	2,429,016	674,004	191,753	1,802,493
1918–19	411,148	9,667,900	26,738,158	4,580,337	1,091,360	596,875	1,199,895
1919–20	390,063	10,355,872	49,482,395	5,523,341	910,508	2,469,713	1,210,789
1920–21	924,210	4,594,500	46,075,130	4,178,800	681,244	548,938	1,796,425
1921–22	1,273,474	7,194,672	59,968,334	7,107,151	1,085,594	917,150	1,241,674
			VALUE.				
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917–18	4,904,417	4,419,185	5,990,298	16,917,870	7,600,517	452,647	3,698,693
1918–19	3,193,086	5,818,824	11,334,655	31,479,990	11,286,765	1,298,431	2,472,736
1919–20	3,301,695	8,906,973	22,568,633	38.416,481	12,127,322	5,482,564	2,479,248
1920–21	11,067,104	4,948,756	34,473,350	25,304,295	8,475,755	1,578,658	3,819,841
1921–22	7,968,078	5,519,881	28,644,155	38,974,292	9,002,752	2,139,615	1,867,927

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES IMPORTED INTO AND EXPORTED FROM AUSTRALIA DURING THE MARCH QUARTER, 1922 AND 1923, AND DURING THE FIRST NINE MONTHS OF THE FINANCIAL YEARS 1921-1922 AND 1922-1923.

Compiled from information supplied by the Department of Trade and Customs.
(Subject to revision.)

IMPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.				
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins	363,088	315,068	766,410	734,858
All other	73,316	77,783	188,764	192,086
Meats—				
Preserved in Tins	10,182	11,394	20,596	20,703
All other, including Sausage Casings	68,302	67,651	183,179	211,447
Milk and Cream	3,855	3,608	10,962	24,693
All other Animal Foodstuffs	3,210	19,091	15,795	34,965
TOTAL, CLASS I.	521,953	494,595	1,185,706	1,218,752
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Aerated and Mineral Waters, Wine, Unfermented (Grape), &c.	1,464	1,296	4,568	9,498
Caramel, Caramel Paste, Caramel Butter, and Cocoa Butter	49,931	38,570	130,053	154,018
Cocoa and Chocolate	59,383	54,659	174,484	231,391
Coffee and Chicory	20,500	21,545	63,834	61,439
Confectionery—				
Chocolate	553	1,326	4,202	4,530
N.E.I.	5,137	8,262	16,318	30,805
Fruits—Dried	21,227	16,980	115,907	181,749
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	..	..	..	1
Bananas	5,869	2,286	15,906	12,234
All other	4,726	6,611	8,761	10,685
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared	15,798	132,490	23,170	303,493
Prepared—Rice	42,695	38,461	142,894	98,995
All other	2,206	4,420	9,808	35,150
Hops	21,158	14,582	55,013	37,331
Mustard	27,412	23,375	62,433	79,007
Nuts, Edible	48,999	54,568	210,063	242,[illegible]35
Pickles and Sauces	38,512	27,526	60,774	81,410
Sago and Tapioca	15,692	29,080	67,829	74,782
Spices	31,421	34,373	97,426	99,266
Sugar (Cane)	50,605	12,498	159,900	50,423
Tea	555,402	762,762	1,687,022	2,168,620
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	58,716	80,329	189,894	267,747
TOTAL, CLASS II.	1,077,406	1,365,999	3,300,259	4,235,209

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£	£	£
Ale, Beer and Porter, Cider and Perry	43,451	46,995	110,908	148,312
Spirits (Beverages)—				
Brandy	19,696	24,852	66,417	82,854
Gin	21,538	22,480	54,161	88,984
Rum	1,584	3,211	5,029	11,369
Whisky	324,302	320,986	840,562	942,627
Other	4,937	10,239	22,938	28,274
Wine (Fermented)—				
Sparkling	6,489	10,679	14,459	27,484
Other	8,171	8,765	26,255	24,304
TOTAL, CLASS III.	430,168	448,207	1,140,729	1,354,208
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Tobacco—				
Manufactured	13,696	13,240	55,976	65,124
Unmanufactured	551,234	443,693	1,344,205	1,062,407
Cigars	8,492	23,363	34,103	71,624
Cigarettes	18,849	35,027	52,678	99,846
Snuff	106	392	272	787
TOTAL, CLASS IV.	592,377	515,715	1,487,234	1,299,788
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS	22,841	47,030	63,538	85,312
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Gelatine and Glue of all kinds	6,222	14,953	18,657	32,526
Skins—				
Hides (Calf, Cattle, and Horse)	92,985	143,223	329,341	405,225
Sheep	20,833	17,984	29,024	39,671
Other	29,677	16,620	103,747	65,491
All other Animal Substances	13,043	44,850	25,850	133,763
TOTAL, CLASS VI.	162,760	237,630	506,619	676,676
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Bark, Tanning	6,898	9,354	13,638	15,007
Copra	211,138	119,409	902,791	604,352
Fibres—				
Flax and Hemp, including Phormium Tenax	77,963	51,867	245,506	175,145
All other	139,360	156,623	333,456	399,669
Pulp for Papermaking	22,600	70,988	94,962	111,161
All other Vegetable Substances	359,370	220,200	769,400	731,848
TOTAL, CLASS VII.	817,329	628,441	2,359,753	2,037,182

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS VIII.—(*a*) APPAREL; (*b*) TEXTILES; (*c*) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
(*a*) *Apparel.*				
Apparel—				
Blouses, Skirts, Costumes, &c. ..	54,687	91,739	105,745	193,614
Boots and Shoes	36,758	90,544	98,597	283,722
Hats and Caps	56,541	118,002	166,185	357,884
Hosiery and Knitted Apparel (including Socks and Stockings)	521,412	724,604	961,384	2,271,932
Men's and Boys' Outer Garments	11,725	79,638	25,249	111,462
Shirts, Collars, Ties, &c. ..	46,124	78,343	118,747	247,517
Trimmings	357,872	312,164	774,169	1,062,771
Other..	571,344	718,718	1,306,090	2,048,815
(*b*) *Textiles.*				
Piece Goods—				
Canvas and Duck	170,484	292,303	505,705	848,188
Cotton and Linen	2,958,397	2,837,041	7,149,934	10,428,761
Silk	1,282,059	835,939	2,937,644	3,350,617
Woollen	1,246,088	1,750,311	2,103,387	4,258,318
Other..	810,562	1,084,996	1,532,866	2,296,846
Floor Coverings—Carpets, Linoleums, Mats, &c.	557,422	772,781	1,432,126	2,113,749
All other Textiles	651,311	663,478	1,404,273	2,279,823
(*c*) *Manufactured Fibres.*				
Bags and Sacks—				
Bran, Chaff, and Compressed Fodder	84,720	159,291	177,111	277,655
Corn and Flour	132,661	134,511	1,509,560	1,475,772
All other	24,973	63,487	172,400	306,685
Cordage and Twines (excluding Metal Cordage)	36,542	45,637	157,869	176,150
Yarns—				
Cotton	85,636	73,608	203,116	281,675
Wool	353,989	297,990	714,458	1,472,873
Other..	73,020	85,147	151,006	395,010
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. ..	10,124,327	11,310,272	23,707,621	36,539,839
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Oils (in Bulk)—				
Kerosene	282,624	171,707	655,455	571,891
Lubricating (Mineral)	119,796	133,249	355,707	449,532
Petroleum Spirit	887,897	842,467	2,419,251	2,457,161
All other Oils, Fats, and Waxes ..	212,363	206,467	566,645	697,036
TOTAL, CLASS IX. ..	1,502,680	1,353,890	3,997,058	4,175,620
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES ..	112,478	151,839	306,917	401,479

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES	51,937	85,270	142,857	230,446
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.				
(*a*) *Machines and Machinery.*				
Electrical Machinery and Appliances—				
Cable and Wire Covered ..	184,457	332,368	727,440	815,000
N.E.I.	596,459	1,012,755	2,393,536	2,495,003
Implements and Machinery (Agricultural, Horticultural, and Viticultural)	183,138	158,274	495,433	388,478
All other Machines and Machinery ..	1,348,972	1,580,056	4,134,607	4,151,589
(*b*) *Metals and Metal Manufactures, other than Machinery.*				
Alloys—				
Ferrous	2,223	27,807	10,964	49,692
Other..	8,448	65,243	37,057	183,113
Gas Appliances	24,347	23,854	59,769	86,220
Iron and Steel—				
Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, Blooms, &c.	228,767	467,735	681,778	1,176,235
Girders, Beams, Channels, Joists, &c.	25,046	91,390	118,160	200,610
Pig and Scrap	22,691	42,236	85,089	114,909
Pipes and Tubes	213,214	374,681	694,901	868,001
Plate and Sheet—				
Galvanized, Flat	77,003	177,287	164,317	472,783
Galvanized, Corrugated ..	239,629	549,917	822,218	1,622,200
Plain	65,194	137,317	371,610	330,438
Tinned	149,736	269,188	339,876	772,713
Rails, Fishplates, Fishbolts, &c. ..	52,355	127,126	66,669	272,174
Tools of Trade (not being Machines)	173,016	237,234	551,051	665,973
Vehicles—				
Motor Cycles, Tricycles, &c. ..	62,908	135,583	99,516	264,995
Bodies for Motor Cars, &c. ..	35,991	135,909	80,711	350,011
Chassis for Motor Cars, &c. ..	760,049	1,660,155	1,873,533	4,230,479
Other and Parts	219,301	350,488	547,142	921,680
Wire—Iron and Steel	68,623	226,935	196,555	648,014
All other Metals and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery ..	1,229,364	1,414,002	3,793,433	4,239,060
TOTAL, CLASS XII. ..	5,970,931	9,597,540	18,345,365	25,319,370

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921-22.	1922-23.
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.	£	£	£	£
(*a*) *Rubber and Rubber Manufactures.*				
Rubber, Crude, Powdered or Reclaimed	33,400	49,179	101,892	114,547
Rubber Manufactures	296,219	502,988	635,948	1,271,581
(*b*) *Leather and Manufactures of Leather and Substitutes therefor.*				
Patent and Enamelled	20,032	65,911	61,297	203,259
All other	86,563	86,787	214,721	305,400
TOTAL, CLASS XIII.	436,214	704,865	1,013,858	1,894,787
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber—				
Dressed	81,789	452,964	261,180	965,824
Undressed	608,728	791,785	1,400,216	1,929,299
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	80,051	120,770	239,861	374,119
TOTAL, CLASS XIV.	770,568	1,365,519	1,901,257	3,269,242
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS, AND STONEWARE.				
Cement (Portland)	26,764	35,417	59,918	115,369
Earthenware, China, &c.	234,842	162,174	628,899	611,969
Glass and Glassware	194,230	302,746	525,671	808,570
All other Earthenware, Cements, China, Glass, and Stoneware	42,615	74,193	127,008	173,604
TOTAL, CLASS XV.	498,451	574,530	1,341,496	1,709,512
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(*a*) *Paper.*				
Cardboard and other Paper Boards	37,405	66,082	103,463	193,067
Printing	487,744	602,396	1,533,730	1,649,943
Wrapping of all Colours	86,435	101,496	209,083	315,357
Writing and Typewriting	103,255	173,139	247,866	493,357
All other	162,026	123,392	457,169	339,780
(*b*) *Stationery and Paper Manufactures.*				
Books (Printed), Directories, &c.	194,399	220,096	708,195	871,655
All other	130,935	239,860	405,366	839,829
TOTAL, CLASS XVI.	1,202,199	1,526,461	3,664,872	4,702,988
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.				
Fancy Goods	176,396	233,218	620,143	1,050,154
Jewellery, including Cameos, &c.	181,371	161,830	399,152	458,563
Watches, Clocks, Chronometers, &c.	49,911	78,755	221,570	289,545
TOTAL, CLASS XVII.	407,678	473,803	1,240,865	1,798,262

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—IMPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.	£	£	£	£
Films for Kinematographs, &c. ..	60,225	72,287	212,112	206,697
Surgical and Dental Instruments, &c.	63,788	75,515	163,811	223,332
Talking Machines—Phonographs, &c.	48,022	50,843	130,096	188,807
All other Optical and Scientific Instruments	67,342	82,198	179,090	256,198
TOTAL, CLASS XVIII. ..	239,377	280,843	685,109	875,034
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Acid, Tartaric	3,786	17,272	27,686	32,850
Calcium Carbide	479	23,957	1,544	33,224
Cream of Tartar	59,076	63,424	154,576	186,936
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	9,700	12,119	38,725	41,240
Dyes	48,678	51,518	157,807	165,224
Fertilizers	103,844	211,440	413,485	610,137
Oils, Essential (Non-spirituous) ..	23,713	22,449	69,003	72,477
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	71,361	65,663	207,401	273,705
Proprietary Medicines	90,874	43,041	208,140	137,559
Sodium Salts—				
Carbonate (Soda Ash-Crystals) ..	41,968	59,908	73,826	138,773
Hydroxide (Caustic Soda) ..	34,553	38,156	66,365	113,930
N.E.I.	33,937	43,428	72,807	126,189
Sulphur (Brimstone)	74,437	17,739	225,017	124,402
All other Drugs and Chemicals ..	304,042	288,853	828,650	912,706
TOTAL, CLASS XIX. ..	900,448	958,967	2,545,032	2,969,352
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Brushware	48,960	68,289	145,572	241,200
Matches and Vestas	36,499	62,215	103,256	193,252
Musical Instruments, &c.—				
Pianos and Parts	86,781	133,916	205,458	372,088
Other and Parts	40,286	43,051	103,814	135,117
Soap	10,905	30,410	27,591	80,567
All other Articles	750,671	1,388,399	1,643,679	3,658,550
TOTAL, CLASS XX. ..	974,102	1,726,280	2,229,370	4,680,774
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold	4,185	286	22,260	15,320
Silver	16,673	1,830	35,329	7,983
Bronze—Specie	..	..	23	5
TOTAL, CLASS XXI. ..	20,858	2,116	57,612	23,308
SUMMARY.				
Importing States—				
New South Wales	11,451,377	13,593,392	31,388,361	41,171,371
Victoria	9,440,564	11,698,758	24,876,156	35,672,590
Queensland	2,090,467	2,898,148	5,283,948	8,065,432
South Australia	2,247,737	2,984,099	5,457,669	8,251,875
Western Australia	1,198,781	2,229,144	3,119,676	5,153,771
Tasmania	404,629	442,399	1,085,861	1,172,622
Northern Territory	3,527	3,872	11,456	9,479
GRAND TOTAL, IMPORTS ..	26,837,082	33,849,812	71,223,127	99,497,140

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—*continued.*

EXPORTS.

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£	£	£	£
Butter	2,475,665	2,219,563	6,983,868	5,828,105
Butter Substitutes	12,740	26	88,969	20,482
Cheese	142,962	104,752	389,094	213,373
Meats—				
Potted or Concentrated	12,163	6,693	23,230	44,496
Preserved by Cold Process—				
Beef	295,230	127,234	1,371,365	1,116,971
Lamb	559,411	623,910	945,855	2,460,773
Mutton	245,890	986,621	385,646	1,613,251
Rabbits and Hares	27,248	63,480	340,713	281,693
Preserved in Tins	80,074	57,547	297,010	236,173
Other	156,452	213,532	533,389	735,879
Milk and Cream	519,113	529,220	1,507,113	1,089,619
All other Animal Foodstuffs	27,417	18,346	184,646	180,779
Total, Class I.	4,554,365	4,950,924	13,050,898	13,821,594
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN; NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, AND SUBSTANCES USED IN MAKING.				
Aerated and Mineral Waters, Wine Unfermented (Grape) &c.	13,189	17,258	44,586	43,332
Biscuits	41,825	33,392	138,965	97,370
Fruits, Dried—				
Currants	45,356	72,191	117,288	158,327
Raisins	31,004	44,431	180,945	173,086
Other	1,292	47,735	49,925	88,081
Fruits, Fresh—				
Apples	323,528	336,198	336,181	348,701
Other	29,703	17,879	120,365	141,501
Grain and Pulse—				
Unprepared—				
Wheat	10,226,281	4,554,647	22,003,507	6,000,675
Other	141,484	211,318	461,501	481,095
Prepared—				
Flour (Wheaten)	1,156,085	1,416,897	4,290,185	3,265,296
Rice	26,955	26,499	164,422	92,793
Other	22,401	12,575	61,509	40,288
Jams and Fruit Jellies	29,919	16,619	130,338	57,422
Tea	21,882	84,812	97,615	186,928
All other Vegetable Foodstuffs	368,162	90,877	1,118,083	358,410
Total, Class II.	12,479,066	6,983,328	29,315,415	11,533,305

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.	£	£	£	£
Ale, Beer, Porter, Cider and Perry ..	15,830	15,700	61,761	45,903
Spirits (Beverages)	15,394	17,095	85,632	52,969
Wine	54,012	40,871	138,573	135,467
Total, Class III.	85,236	73,666	285,966	234,339
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF	101,826	151,648	349,425	536,133
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle	17,026	18,662	50,243	66,341
Horses	10,788	15,885	57,938	100,416
Sheep	13,071	15,175	32,680	40,481
All other Living Animals	3,288	1,703	8,897	9,943
Total, Class V.	44,173	51,425	149,758	217,181
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES (MAINLY UNMANUFACTURED), NOT FOODSTUFFS.				
Skins—				
Hides (Calf, Cattle, Horse) ..	112,693	144,203	476,591	638,407
Rabbit and Hare	41,666	108,536	532,959	1,561,145
Sheep	262,725	673,038	978,371	2,202,740
Other	111,929	132,816	362,766	789,037
Pearlshell	60,405	74,615	242,248	275,634
Wool—				
Greasy	12,146,077	15,822,271	27,533,818	39,017,362
Scoured and Washed	1,843,710	2,532,392	5,697,809	7,977,761
Tops	238,797	408,292	783,538	1,109,266
All other Animal Substances ..	53,235	34,733	117,604	130,938
Total, Class VI.	14,871,237	19,930,896	36,725,704	53,702,290
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.				
Bark, Tanning	2,161	812	9,125	10,169
Copra	213,255	84,693	832,072	468,823
Sandalwood	46,166	17,930	64,790	107,666
All other Vegetable Substances and Fibres	18,880	26,017	88,206	145,905
Total, Class VII.	280,462	129,452	994,193	732,563

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
CLASS VIII.—(*a*) APPAREL; (*b*) TEXTILES; AND (*c*) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.	£	£	£	£
Boots and Shoes	19,831	5,539	97,406	21,948
All other Apparel	222,822	49,763	463,771	249,006
All other Textiles, including Bags, Cordage, Yarns, &c.	106,942	99,200	406,413	362,857
Total, Class VIII.	349,595	154,502	967,590	633,811
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.				
Oil—Coconut	482	16,803	3,101	34,056
Tallow—Unrefined	321,862	415,666	1,039,134	1,350,484
All other Oils, Fats and Waxes ..	55,984	40,943	343,198	142,719
Total, Class IX.	378,328	473,412	1,385,433	1,527,259
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES.	15,329	15,014	77,606	50,317
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Coal	225,451	319,572	801,635	1,066,805
Ores and Concentrates—				
Tin	..	1,263	193	1,304
Wolfram	..	1,000	839	1,962
Zinc	167,060	307,604	317,052	1,139,767
Other	30,037	127,710	138,043	246,038
All other Stones and Minerals ..	14,248	27,866	46,151	72,114
Total, Class XI.	436,796	785,015	1,303,913	2,527,990
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.				
(*a*) *Machines and Machinery.*				
Machines and Machinery	105,404	102,009	441,115	255,870
(*b*) *Metal and Metal Manufactures other than Machinery.*				
Copper—Ingots and in Matte ..	100,334	202,602	599,838	455,295
Iron and Steel—Bar, Rod, Hoop, Ingots, &c.	2,616	1,704	39,217	5,376
Lead—Pig and in Matte	446,480	671,861	1,144,638	1,962,203
Tin Ingots	77,985	104,714	254,258	303,440
Zinc—Bars, Blocks, &c.	34,128	321,953	34,388	531,118
All other Metals and Manufactures thereof	135,788	150,271	627,922	397,346
Total, Class XII.	902,735	1,555,114	3,141,376	3,910,648

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921-22.	1922-23.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER, AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF, AND SUBSTITUTES THEREFOR.				
Indiarubber and Manufactures ..	46,629	40,055	226,697	131,624
Leather and Manufactures ..	217,689	192,077	667,950	600,951
Total, Class XIII.	264,318	232,132	894,647	732,575
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Timber	265,093	261,985	953,179	802,914
Wood and Wicker Manufactures, including Furniture	30,375	19,422	90,140	70,741
Total, Class XIV.	295,468	281,407	1,043,319	873,655
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.	25,582	32,744	127,704	79,544
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
Paper	9,603	12,358	38,813	39,970
Stationery	41,797	46,207	154,024	144,894
Total, Class XVI.	51,400	58,565	192,837	184,864
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.				
Precious Stones, Unset; Pearls, Cameos, &c.	22,866	32,971	47,618	97,275
All other Jewellery, Timepieces, and Fancy Goods	19,675	27,623	79,638	63,926
Total, Class XVII.	42,541	60,594	127,256	161,201
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS ..	41,434	33,580	114,901	114,881

VALUE OF PRINCIPAL ARTICLES, ETC.—EXPORTS—*continued.*

Article.	Period.			
	March Quarter.		First Nine Months.	
	1922.	1923.	1921–22.	1922–23.
	£	£	£	£
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.				
Fertilizers—				
Ammonium Sulphate	14,976	6,454	83,892	22,269
Superphosphates	250	26	6,284	29
Other	4,567	14,842	30,166	26,544
Oil—Eucalyptus	6,166	4,604	18,095	24,001
All other Drugs and Chemicals ..	94,144	109,104	335,222	336,923
Total, Class XIX.	120,103	135,030	473,659	409,766
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Soap	50,530	77,551	183,273	200,706
Vessels transferred Abroad ..	..	..	15,000	..
All other Articles	117,459	100,154	329,971	280,478
Total, Class XX.	167,989	177,705	528,244	481,184
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER; AND BRONZE SPECIE.				
Gold	1,102,563	256,257	2,924,731	1,519,721
Silver	189,331	286,052	593,103	817,574
Bronze Specie	..	..	40	..
Total, Class XXI.	1,291,894	542,309	3,517,874	2,337,295
SUMMARY.				
States of Final Shipment—				
New South Wales	12,314,539	12,203,489	35,151,525	35,497,652
Victoria	10,554,140	11,381,255	24,323,658	27,397,089
Queensland	4,065,593	3,596,876	13,748,946	12,141,790
South Australia	4,573,921	4,795,303	11,219,128	10,328,222
Western Australia	4,345,446	3,568,513	8,859,284	7,745,706
Tasmania	945,833	1,256,947	1,462,935	1,683,067
Northern Territory	405	6,079	2,242	8,869
Total { Australian Produce ..	35,808,699	36,120,838	91,403,364	92,385,369
Total { Other Produce ..	991,178	687,624	3,364,354	2,417,026
GRAND TOTAL, EXPORTS ..	36,799,877	36,808,462	94,767,718	94,802,395

PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL, PASTORAL, AND DAIRY PRODUCE of Australian Origin exported from each State to Various Countries during the first nine months of the years 1922-23 and 1921-22.

NOTE.—In this table exports are referred to the State from which they were finally despatched.

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922-23.	1921-22.
	Cental.	Cental	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	99,661	348,185	190,290	31,393	..	8,543	678,072	1,028,435
Canada	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	5,839
Ceylon	1	1,303	1,103	..	..	..	2,407	1,952
China	2,409	1,304	56	..	..	..	3,769	8,531
Egypt	103	1,972	468	..	..	..	2,543	1,361
France	2,782	2,248	..	448	..	..	5,478	9,636
French Indo-China ..	..	20	..	..	..	..	20	326
Hong Kong	3,784	59	29	..	..	..	3,872	4,359
India	1	108	4	..	..	..	113	124
Japan	2,705	245	339	..	..	..	3,289	4,364
Netherlands East Indies	1,307	37,186	2,141	..	..	..	40,634	38,262
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	154	9	..	..	..	..	163	978
New Caledonia ..	413	..	..	..	..	..	413	428
Territory of New Guinea	207	..	73	..	..	..	280	188
Other Islands ..	359	55	42	..	..	..	456	1,062
Papua	166	..	146	..	..	..	312	263
Philippine Islands ..	2,265	106	1,242	..	..	..	3,613	4,107
South African Union ..	41	18	..	..	..	..	59	1,802
Straits Settlements ..	2,250	5,158	1,140	..	..	..	8,548	7,041
United States	862	..	..	..	..	..	862	19,366
Other Countries ..	28	1,005	193	..	..	..	1,226	1,080
Total, 9 Months—								
1922-23	119,499	398,981	197,266	31,841	..	8,543	756,130	..
1921-22	312,463	434,208	349,782	38,258	256	4,537	..	1,139,504

BUTTER (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922-23.	1921-22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	782,156	2,560,188	1,439,172	264,242	..	60,174	5,105,932	6,108,896
Canada	9	..	..	..	..	..	9	39,934
Ceylon	10	11,428	9,030	..	..	..	20,468	13,503
China	20,421	11,737	598	..	..	..	32,756	73,990
Egypt	865	14,665	4,060	..	..	..	19,590	7,540
France	21,551	16,863	..	3,850	..	..	42,264	59,968
French Indo-China ..	..	175	..	..	..	..	175	2,373
Hong Kong	32,037	541	352	..	..	..	32,930	32,870
India	12	1,124	28	..	..	..	1,164	1,037
Japan	23,861	2,093	2,618	..	..	..	28,572	32,378
Netherlands East Indies	12,685	343,757	19,280	..	..	..	375,722	346,992
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	1,540	95	..	..	..	..	1,635	7,816
New Caledonia ..	3,789	..	..	..	..	..	3,789	3,462
Territory of New Guinea ..	1,972	..	808	..	..	..	2,780	1,678
Other Islands ..	3,382	561	450	..	..	..	4,393	7,551
Papua	1,573	..	1,528	..	..	..	3,101	2,393
Philippine Islands ..	18,184	954	11,096	..	..	..	30,234	28,137
South African Union ..	462	194	..	..	..	..	656	12,020
Straits Settlements ..	19,195	46,911	8,928	..	..	..	75,034	57,743
United States ..	6,536	..	..	..	..	..	6,536	133,858
Other Countries ..	327	10,356	1,980	..	..	..	12,663	9,729
Total, 9 Months—								
1922-23	950,567	3,021,642	1,499,928	268,092	..	60,174	5,800,403	..
1921-22	1,869,209	2,836,583	2,011,038	238,884	2,704	25,450	..	6,983,868

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	166,984	426,527	..	193,842	57,623	..	844,976	1,238,545
Africa, Portuguese East	..	50,980	..	..	..	..	50,980	52,155
Belgium	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	114
Ceylon	28,503	57,421	..	17,186	7,264	..	110,374	106,196
China	1,617	1,908	..	..	..	..	3,525	86,445
Egypt	326,352	721,236	..	306,207	684,835	4,480	†2043,110	*1,710,541
French Indo-China	7,664	18,683	..	..	..	..	26,347	11,702
Hong Kong ..	7,114	102,546	..	..	..	..	109,660	198,764
India	4,518	8,024	..	4,199	1,580	..	18,321	10,935
Japan	12,589	5,594	..	..	..	..	18,183	130,119
Mauritius ..	113	109,721	..	26,705	5,002	..	141,541	112,778
Netherlands ..	900	1,200	..	..	1,800	..	3,900	6,384
Netherlands East Indies	214,081	404,877	11	78,030	45,582	..	742,581	585,871
New Zealand ..	549	..	..	..	..	..	549	652
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	40,555	203	..	..	..	..	40,758	36,557
New Caledonia ..	44,352	9,372	..	..	..	..	53,724	55,690
New Hebrides ..	4,800	..	..	..	..	..	4,800	5,358
Society Islands ..	1,424	560	..	..	..	..	1,984	6,380
Territory of New Guinea ..	5,259	..	47	..	..	..	5,306	20,457
Tonga	6,822	..	..	..	..	..	6,822	8,511
Other Islands ..	13,112	1,794	1	..	..	..	14,907	13,997
Papua	8,581	..	127	..	..	..	8,708	6,123
Philippine Islands ..	147,966	26,071	..	..	..	..	174,037	161,188
South African Union	25,623	401,097	..	141,623	1,490	..	569,833	378,933
Straits Settlements	190,747	124,295	..	23,457	127,750	..	466,249	290,543
Other Countries ..	55,272	84,975	..	5,182	17,920	..	‡163,349	34,844
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	1,315,497	2,557,084	186	796,431	950,846	4,480	5,624,524	..
1921–22 ..	1,450,852	2,098,236	120	763,035	957,539	..	..	5,269,782

* Includes 86,327 centals for orders. † Includes 20,162 centals for orders.
‡ Includes Malta, 104,789 centals.

FLOUR (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	93,802	243,558	..	109,969	32,562	..	479,891	836,375
Africa, Portuguese East	..	29,853	..	..	..	..	29,853	37,440
Belgium	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	98
Ceylon	16,175	31,911	..	9,805	4,120	..	62,011	73,728
China	1,033	1,105	..	..	..	..	2,138	62,436
Egypt	184,985	401,521	..	176,583	371,712	2,323	†1,137,124	*1,826,130
French Indo-China	5,802	10,821	..	..	..	..	16,623	9,660
Hong Kong ..	4,275	57,852	..	..	..	..	62,127	123,644
India	2,854	4,850	..	3,009	939	..	11,652	7,761
Japan	7,254	3,343	..	..	..	..	10,597	82,688
Mauritius ..	69	60,271	..	15,015	2,800	..	78,155	78,256
Netherlands ..	456	640	..	..	979	..	2,075	3,472
Netherlands East Indies	138,197	246,906	8	47,423	27,952	..	460,486	419,608
New Zealand ..	336	..	..	..	..	..	336	513
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	24,821	146	..	..	..	..	24,967	25,422
New Caledonia ..	26,380	5,385	..	..	..	..	31,765	36,855
New Hebrides ..	2,903	..	..	..	..	..	2,903	3,886
Society Islands ..	853	327	..	..	..	..	1,180	4,695
Territory of New Guinea ..	3,557	..	37	..	..	..	3,594	17,500
Tonga	4,058	..	..	..	..	..	4,058	5,447
Other Islands ..	8,124	1,123	1	..	..	..	9,248	10,257
Papua	5,402	..	120	..	..	..	5,522	5,559
Philippine Islands	93,227	15,345	..	..	..	..	108,572	119,476
South African Union	15,544	231,411	..	83,189	852	..	330,996	254,938
Straits Settlements	126,933	75,719	..	14,124	78,784	..	295,560	218,513
Other Countries ..	33,080	46,637	..	4,290	9,856	..	‡93,863	25,828
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	800,120	1,468,724	166	463,407	530,556	2,323	3,265,296	..
1921–22 ..	1,048,794	1,650,411	142	671,195	919,643	..	..	4,290,185

* Includes £69,128 for orders. † Includes £12,727 for orders. ‡ Includes Malta, £57,903.

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	286,318	1,297,195	..	629,394	1,471,578	..	§3,684,485	14,296,862
Canary Islands (for Orders) ..	485,661	285,085	..	999,361	..	..	1,770,107	7,028,014
Cape Verde Islands (for Orders) ..	502,909	19,483	..	..	..	..	522,392	..
Ceylon	..	431	..	..	..	..	431	*834,317
Egypt	152,020	725,901	..	..	22,038	..	‖899,959	‡6,698,552
France	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	40,111
India	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,676,237
Italy	4,436	597,031	..	1,503,834	623,506	..	2,728,807	2,675,314
Japan	..	84,749	..	298,210	129,127	..	512,086	2,713,021
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	44,115
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	295,500
Peru	..	48,364	..	..	..	..	48,364	128,188
South African Union	6	223,636	..	684,621	253,976	..	1,162,239	630,806
Other Countries ..	2,392	324,187	29	1,683,736	33,581	..	¶2,043,925	†2,327,127
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	1,433,742	3,606,062	29	5,799,157	2,533,806	..	13,372,796	..
1921–22 ..	13,828,228	13,385,215	425,837	12,586,838	5,100,520	61,526	..	45,388,164

* Includes 680,250 centals for orders. † Includes Belgium 194,201 centals, Germany 563,964 centals, Netherlands 22,198 centals, Spain 364,861 centals, St. Vincent Island (for orders) 732,385 centals, and West Indies, British (for orders) 341,842 centals. ‡ Includes 4,310,232 centals for orders. § Includes 166,486 centals for orders. ‖ Includes 725,901 centals for orders. ¶ Includes Algeria 324,060 centals, Belgium 107,358 centals, Guam (for orders) 610,200 centals, Port Said (for orders) 653,319 centals, St. Vincent (for orders) 312,873 centals.

WHEAT (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE) EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	131,291	578,583	..	282,300	684,850	..	§1,677,024	7,121,634
Canary Islands (for Orders) ..	223,302	129,621	..	432,972	..	..	785,895	3,360,961
Cape Verde Islands (for Orders) ..	233,154	8,950	..	..	..	..	242,104	..
Ceylon	..	214	..	..	..	..	214	*360,934
Egypt	66,660	328,345	..	..	9,995	..	‖405,000	‡3,570,894
France	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	18,644
India	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,558,127
Italy	2,333	275,735	..	658,097	271,780	..	1,207,945	1,226,387
Japan	..	37,097	..	129,964	57,206	..	224,267	1,196,475
New Zealand ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18,650
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	149,667
Peru	..	28,695	..	..	..	..	28,695	52,966
South African Union	4	108,403	..	309,423	116,749	..	534,579	349,116
Other Countries ..	1,375	149,163	21	729,509	14,883	..	¶894,951	†1,019,052
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	658,119	1,644,806	21	2,542,266	1,155,463	..	6,000,675	..
1921–22 ..	7,024,143	6,394,785	196,168	5,851,958	2,502,123	34,330	..	22,003,507

* Includes £294,077 for orders. † Includes Belgium £84,341, Germany £236,064, Netherlands £10,303, Spain £147,120, St. Vincent Island (for orders) £314,107, West Indies, British (for orders) £182,779. ‡ Includes £2,090,577 for orders. § Includes £73,844 for orders. ‖ Includes £328,345 for orders. ¶ Includes Algeria £138,464, Belgium £47,586, Guam (for orders) £264,859, Port Said (for orders) £283,535, St. Vincent (for orders) £143,962.

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	737,205	825,487	225,051	228,373	262,408	55,902	2,334,426	2,566,122
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,619
Belgium	171,247	36,914	67,248	10,208	18,177	1,223	305,017	449,903
Canada	2,469	6,805	..	1,261	64	835	11,434	13,383
China	1,287	1	..	..	..	..	1,288	6,885
Egypt	5	..	..	..	9	..	14	3
France	541,389	224,366	246,534	126,835	26,784	3,755	1,169,663	1,024,204
Germany	149,798	21,222	61,489	18,000	10,744	3,068	264,321	315,148
India	..	944	..	..	..	..	944	945
Italy	110,057	42,387	83,045	3,304	1,511	..	240,304	289,164
Japan	255,179	54,200	111,309	1,234	..	..	421,922	385,864
Netherlands ..	7,928	3	784	1,772	4,172	..	14,659	4,969
New Zealand ..	1,428	98	..	..	..	..	1,526	1,287
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	64
Philippine Islands	..	73	..	..	..	..	73	..
Spain	..	104	..	..	..	..	104	3,411
Sweden	1,613	2,071	150	..	..	..	3,834	1,279
United States ..	150,514	133,866	32,071	40,276	24,847	18,878	400,452	274,958
Other Countries ..	607	..	..	..	..	..	607	42
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	2,130,726	1,348,541	827,681	431,263	348,716	83,661	5,170,588	..
1921–22 ..	1,939,216	1,183,500	1,104,208	478,465	492,420	142,441	..	5,340,250

WOOL, GREASY (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom	5,220,632	6,350,728	1,632,697	1,767,271	1,995,848	500,044	17,467,220	13,263,941
Austria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,386
Belgium ..	995,425	194,670	457,899	53,986	112,076	7,625	1,821,681	1,861,222
Canada ..	20,307	38,812	..	12,706	683	11,587	84,095	71,424
China	10,578	13	..	..	..	..	10,591	41,736
Egypt ..	31	..	..	..	17	..	48	8
France ..	3,385,612	1,306,923	1,784,475	768,179	173,619	31,371	7,450,179	4,007,891
Germany ..	1,157,560	157,606	493,338	133,328	91,440	28,941	2,062,213	1,586,103
India ..	..	2,697	..	2	..	..	2,699	4,959
Italy	886,610	322,374	709,263	23,430	11,449	..	1,953,126	1,707,921
Japan ..	2,486,190	483,166	1,030,763	12,489	..	..	4,012,608	2,684,406
Netherlands ..	62,112	31	6,697	12,134	34,375	..	115,349	32,094
New Zealand ..	17,663	1,249	..	..	..	..	18,912	13,445
Norway	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	521
Philippine Islands	..	608	..	..	..	..	608	..
Spain	..	251	..	..	..	..	251	19,215
Sweden ..	19,998	18,077	1,447	..	..	..	39,522	11,616
United States ..	1,401,492	1,453,557	290,417	370,113	276,140	179,794	3,971,513	2,211,362
Other Countries	6,747	..	..	..	..	..	6,747	369
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	15,670,957	10,330,762	6,406,996	3,153,638	2,695,647	759,362	39,017,362	..
1921–22 ..	9,589,099	6,043,742	6,271,153	2,244,027	2,552,415	833,183	..	27,533,619

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	214,926	325,476	59,747	29,128	15,197	45	644,519	457,474
,, ,, (a)	..	99	..	..	..	..	99	955
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	468
Belgium	13,966	3,168	12,359	79	704	..	30,276	143,834
Canada	278	1,577	218	..	..	..	2,073	1,483
,, (a) ..	5,552	37	..	..	..	..	5,589	8,036
China	23	606	..	..	..	..	629	498
,, (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2
Denmark ..	..	257	..	..	..	..	257	..
France	50,832	19,288	21,484	1,042	6,112	..	98,758	88,527
,, (a) ..	100	..	..	..	..	..	100	..
Germany ..	27,368	726	19,057	154	376	..	47,681	24,192
India	..	40	..	..	..	..	40	149
Italy	2,336	847	5,275	..	88	..	8,546	10,086
Japan	4,386	2,421	5	..	..	..	6,812	5,777
,, (a) ..	28,542	13,158	..	..	..	..	41,700	33,105
New Zealand ..	70	..	..	..	..	..	70	..
Netherlands ..	1,864	..	1,560	..	160	..	3,584	..
Norway	..	676	..	..	55	..	731	1,285
,, (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	68
Philippine Islands ..	80	152	..	..	..	..	232	..
South African Union	247	..	..	..	..	..	247	14
Spain	..	26	..	..	..	..	26	937
Sweden	..	139	..	..	..	..	139	330
United States ..	25,485	7,113	5,284	553	..	..	38,435	..
,, ,, (a) ..	3,219	200	..	..	..	..	3,419	2,793
Total, 9 Months—								
1922-23 ..	379,274	376,006	124,989	30,956	22,692	45	933,962	..
1921-22 ..	342,167	142,492	211,620	49,131	34,593	10	..	780,013

(a) Tops.

WOOL, SCOURED (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	1,781,592	2,495,109	694,752	221,108	136,200	200	5,328,961	3,343,998
,, ,, (a)	..	2,358	..	..	..	..	2,358	16,312
Austria	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,561
Belgium	99,507	23,422	153,761	743	5,745	..	283,178	1,370,924
Canada	3,956	10,884	5,225	..	..	..	20,065	11,066
,, (a) ..	70,270	672	..	..	..	..	70,942	121,436
China	149	3,351	..	..	..	..	3,500	2,420
,, (a) ..	..	2	..	..	..	..	2	26
Denmark	..	2,648	..	..	..	..	2,648	..
France	485,632	171,740	265,875	8,909	48,819	..	980,975	580,881
,, (a) ..	2,760	..	..	..	..	..	2,760	..
Germany	309,144	4,564	310,234	817	3,922	..	628,681	186,642
India	..	125	..	..	..	..	125	1,082
Italy	27,258	12,141	91,379	..	1,488	..	132,266	105,540
Japan	42,860	16,045	62	..	..	..	58,967	44,512
,, (a) ..	668,267	287,570	..	..	..	..	955,837	644,327
New Zealand ..	275	..	..	..	..	..	275	..
Netherlands ..	23,785	..	25,904	..	2,800	..	52,489	..
Norway	..	5,794	..	..	687	..	6,481	8,562
,, (a) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,437
Philippine Islands	678	1,473	..	..	..	..	2,151	..
South African Union	1,330	..	..	..	..	..	1,330	81
Spain	..	204	..	..	..	..	204	3,710
Sweden	..	1,613	..	..	..	..	1,613	2,688
United States ..	300,258	86,338	83,197	4,059	..	..	473,852	32,142
,, ,, (a) ..	72,850	4,517	..	..	..	..	77,367	..
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23 ..	3,890,571	3,130,570	1,630,389	235,636	199,661	200	9,087,027	..
1921–22 ..	2,585,370	1,077,331	2,183,715	320,321	314,577	33	..	6,481,347

(a) Tops.

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	28,850	23,472	546,376	7,933	68,722	..	675,353	754,168
Ceylon	1,913	..	1,352	..	..	..	3,265	2,362
Egypt	1,559	15	21,007	..	..	..	22,581	10,705
France	..	..	12,818	..	..	..	12,818	..
Germany	..	..	143,641	..	..	..	143,641	..
Hong Kong	202	..	3,553	..	..	..	3,755	4,188
Japan	1,699	..	1,974	..	..	..	3,673	..
Netherlands	2,617	..	2,284	..	..	..	4,901	..
Netherlands East Indies	829	575	732	..	4,376	..	6,512	3,485
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	16,775	..	..	..	..	..	16,775	3,164
Philippine Islands ..	2,979	..	32,741	..	..	..	35,720	50,315
Straits Settlements ..	2,254	..	13,337	..	..	..	15,591	18,924
Other Countries	2,045	105	11,415	..	..	..	13,565*	1,266
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23	61,722	24,167	791,230	7,933	73,098	..	958,150	..
1921–22	61,648	16,161	769,291	1,477	..	..	..	848,577

* Includes Malta 6,850 centals, Gibraltar 3,534 centals, China 1,022 centals.

BEEF, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	50,714	30,402	554,820	9,919	115,675	..	761,530	1,211,082
Ceylon	3,715	..	2,446	..	..	..	6,161	4,542
Egypt	2,263	60	26,121	..	..	..	28,444	12,949
France	..	..	15,871	..	..	..	15,871	..
Germany	..	..	164,670	..	..	..	164,670	..
Hong Kong ..	330	..	4,591	..	..	..	4,921	8,217
Japan	2,277	..	2,490	..	..	..	4,767	..
Netherlands ..	3,816	..	2,474	..	..	..	6,290	..
Netherlands East Indies	1,587	1,371	1,235	..	6,378	..	10,571	6,056
Pacific Islands—								
Hawaiian Islands ..	23,140	..	..	..	..	..	23,140	4,134
Philippine Islands ..	4,467	..	43,614	..	..	..	48,081	84,682
Straits Settlements ..	4,084	..	20,761	..	..	..	24,845	37,162
Other Countries ..	3,666	240	13,774	..	..	..	17,680*	2,541
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23	100,059	32,073	852,867	9,919	122,053	..	1,116,971	..
1921–22	97,274	28,055	1,244,320	1,716	..	..	..	1,371,365

* Includes Malta £8,128, Gibraltar £4,214, China £1,416.

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	554,775	887,298	20,304	62,034	8,655	..	1,533,066	535,791
Canada	2,033	..	..	..	..	..	2,033	1,468
Ceylon	2,224	..	..	..	..	..	2,224	3,056
Egypt	6,074	559	448	..	..	..	7,081	860
Germany	..	..	5,575	..	..	..	5,575	..
Hong Kong ..	2,913	..	..	..	..	..	2,913	2,909
Philippine Islands ..	1,524	..	..	..	..	..	1,524	1,841
South African Union	244	..	869	..	..	..	1,113	..
Straits Settlements ..	6,999	1,614	269	..	..	..	8,882	8,181
Other Countries ..	6,441	82	11	..	..	..	6,534	2,643
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23	583,227	889,553	27,476	62,034	8,655	..	1,570,945	..
1921–22	187,964	328,191	34,399	6,195	..	..	..	556,749

MUTTON AND LAMB, FROZEN (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	1,473,222	2,249,724	30,869	205,714	27,432	..	3,986,971	1,287,235
Canada	3,944	..	..	..	..	..	3,944	2,651
Ceylon	5,676	..	..	..	..	..	5,676	6,018
Egypt	10,907	1,519	654	..	..	..	13,080	1,299
Germany	..	..	12,566	..	..	..	12,566	..
Hong Kong ..	8,039	..	..	..	..	..	8,039	6,439
Philippine Islands ..	4,279	..	..	..	..	..	4,279	3,973
South African Union	728	..	1,267	..	..	..	1,995	..
Straits Settlements	18,243	3,611	448	..	..	..	22,302	18,855
Other Countries ..	14,921	221	30	..	..	..	15,172	5,031
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23.. ..	1,539,969	2,255,075	45,834	205,714	27,432	..	4,074,024	..
1921–22.. ..	463,529	796,683	58,652	12,637	..	..	..	1,331,501

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—QUANTITY.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.	Cental.
United Kingdom ..	31,193	8,192	23,832	3,266	..	..	66,483	60,538
Ceylon	107	23	7	..	..	..	137	356
China..	10	..	5	..	..	..	15	6
Egypt	255	3	..	..	..	..	258	170
France	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hong Kong	76	20	5	..	..	..	101	9
India	179	3,066	..	2	..	..	3,247	6,847
Netherlands East Indies	1,155	130	327	..	..	..	1,612	579
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	185	..	..	..	..	..	185	161
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony	624	1,141	..	..	..	..	1,765	826
Hawaiian Islands ..	450	..	..	..	..	..	450	1
Solomon Islands ..	1,897	..	14	..	..	..	1,911	1,139
Territory of New Guinea	3,176	..	31	..	..	..	3,207	1,169
Other Islands ..	650	370	..	..	..	..	1,020	573
Papua	1,468	..	155	..	..	..	1,623	504
South African Union ..	1,835	153	..	..	..	..	1,988	1,721
Straits Settlements ..	128	57	129	..	..	..	314	86
Other Countries ..	2,298	37	196	..	..	..	2,531	327
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23	45,686	13,192	24,701	3,268	..	..	86,847	..
1921–22	35,017	4,320	35,661	12	3	..	..	75,013

MEATS, PRESERVED IN TINS (AUSTRALIAN PRODUCE), EXPORTED—VALUE.

Country to which Exported.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Australia—Nine Months.	
							1922–23.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
United Kingdom ..	67,267	16,358	77,068	5,549	..	..	166,242	212,787
Ceylon	528	129	46	..	..	..	703	2,144
China	38	2	23	..	..	..	63	38
Egypt	722	9	2	..	..	..	733	854
France	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	3
Hong Kong	240	80	18	..	..	..	338	65
India	915	15,402	2	5	..	..	16,324	52,393
Netherlands East Indies	4,067	452	1,263	..	..	..	5,782	2,689
Pacific Islands—								
Fiji	619	..	..	..	..	..	619	911
Gilbert and Ellice Islands Colony ..	2,330	2,116	..	..	..	..	4,446	2,412
Hawaiian Islands ..	1,538	..	..	..	..	..	1,538	4
Solomon Islands ..	4,715	..	72	..	..	..	4,787	4,292
Territory of New Guinea	11,358	..	185	..	..	..	11,543	6,184
Other Islands ..	2,199	640	..	..	..	..	2,839	2,203
Papua	4,498	..	621	..	..	..	5,119	2,293
South African Union ..	5,284	434	..	..	..	..	5,718	3,601
Straits Settlements ..	844	275	592	..	..	..	1,711	737
Other Countries ..	4,737	185	1,056	..	..	..	5,978	1,571
Total, 9 Months—								
1922–23	111,900	36,082	80,948	5,554	..	..	234,484	..
1921–22	138,747	9,865	146,503	50	16	..	..	295,181

Section IV.—Finance.

COMMONWEALTH CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUND.

RECEIPTS 1917–18 TO 1921–22.

Sources of Revenue.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
TAXATION—					
Customs	9,486,555	11,605,410	13,705,220	21,731,210	17,328,310
Excise	3,737,757	5,821,560	7,869,339	10,078,696	10,302,049
Land Tax	2,123,779	2,109,171	2,110,306	2,155,699	2,284,040
Probate and Succession Duties	947,232	923,908	1,441,819	1,179,513	991,378
Income Tax	7,385,514	10,376,456	12,848,123	14,351,408	16,790,682
Entertainment Tax	245,899	358,126	557,911	649,828	675,675
War Time Profits Tax	680,008	1,206,538	2,569,012	2,083,139	1,306,708
War Postage	..	463,317	745,962	197,928	..
Total Taxation	24,606,744	32,864,486	41,847,692	52,427,421	49,678,842
Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones	5,762,190	6,110,522	6,744,755	8,388,569	9,320,654
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	20,282	23,623	34,0[illegible]6	40,639	41,393
Coinage	229,378	125,634	76,439	106,373	178,439
Detained Enemy Vessels	2,173,418	1,671,905	344,411	131,763	..
Commonwealth Government Steamers, Surplus Earnings	880,000	1,015,762	..	137,959	..
Defence, including Balance of Trust Account	934,114	447,868	453,731	301,978	353,382
Quarantine	16,453	44,118	62,053	42,972	42,639
Lighthouse and Light Dues	108,557	125,231	153,992	180,105	171,967
Federal Capital Territory	31,432	35,434	26,898	33,102	33,894
Northern Territory	39,621	62,439	38,880	47,713	43,951
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway	164,203	150,856	233,564	221,387	201,084
Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway	1,027	..	..	..	..
Darwin-Katharine River Railway	35,173	45,725	31,783	12,761	14,370
Sugar	20,390	6,547	10,279	15,003	183,737
Interest on Loans, Advances, etc.	983,616	1,479,050	1,583,640	1,992,082	4,632,694
Miscellaneous	833,270	507,718	1,140,919	1,437,781	
Total	36,839,868	44,716,918	52,783,102	65,517,608	64,897,046
PER HEAD OF POPULATION—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Taxation	4 18 9	6 9 4	7 17 9	9 13 9	9 0 4
Total Revenue	7 7 11	8 16 0	9 18 11	12 2 2	11 15 7

DISBURSEMENTS 1917–18 TO 1921–22.

Departments, etc.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
GOVERNOR-GENERAL—					
Salary	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Governor-General's Establishment, etc.	6,351	4,390	9,252	13,450	11,708
Governor-General's Office*	10,542	9,485	7,963	7,257	6,189
Total	26,893	23,875	27,215	30,707	27,897
PARLIAMENT—					
Salaries of Ministers	14,901	15,300	15,231	15,368	15,300
Allowances to Senators	20,854	20,760	22,376	34,710	34,916
Allowances to Members of House of Representatives	42,796	42,261	40,993	69,133	69,395
Officers, Staff, Contingencies, etc.	39,583	37,584	43,407	62,728	63,253
Repairs, Maintenance, Insurance	1,860	1,910	2,006	2,028	2,871
Printing	16,864	26,863	21,347	23,810	24,912
Travelling Expenses of Members and Others	9,950	8,913	9,379	11,996	12,262
Electoral Office	53,717	53,159	60,677	70,200	72,816
Election Expenses	4,355	2,459	89,752	3,037	5,201
Referenda	..	..	8,358	..	..
Administration of Electoral Act	27,425	31,460	33,859	28,477	42,548
Miscellaneous	5,159	5,044	1,030	1,872	2,718
Total	237,464	245,713	348,415	323,259	346,192

* Includes expenditure on cablegrams, etc., transmitted by the Governor-General on behalf of the Commonwealth Government.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued.*

Departments, etc.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
PRIME MINISTER—					
Salaries, Contingencies, etc.	25,764	33,328	29,126	32,876	38,191
High Commissioner's Office	52,085	57,106	66,037	75,764	69,417
Australian Commissioner in U.S.A.	..	4,992	15,727	12,215	9,352
Public Service Commissioner's Office	22,329	23,129	26,757	30,546	34,959
Audit Office	18,480	25,586	27,743	32,212	34,689
Executive Council	160	177	210	250	165
Shipping and Mails to Pacific Islands	35,021	28,800	21,600	43,501	49,167
Immigration	..	..	..	..	72,175
Interest on Loans	30,095	39,253	47,943	39,562	204,316
Payments to Sinking Fund	2,473	2,473	2,474	473	550
Miscellaneous	52,064	30,209	94,120*	193,931	220,547
Total	238,471	245,053	331,737	461,330	733,528
HOME AND TERRITORIES—					
Chief Office	14,737	16,156	18,528	21,756	21,594
Lands and Surveys	14,448	15,935	17,280	22,236	22,226
Census and Statistics	15,013	16,248	16,795	17,713	18,936
Meteorological Bureau	25,971	28,209	29,706	84,922	88,932
Papua	51,918	51,260	51,492	62,656	179,245
Federal Territory	24,805	24,142	25,483	27,242	32,741
Rents, Repairs, Supervision, etc.	13,590	14,905	13,214	16,380	15,975
Interest on Transferred Properties	..	678	2,004	5,496	2,941
Interest on Loans	21,666	23,909	24,132	20,526	20,112
Payments to Sinking Fund	1,996	1,996	1,996	1,940	1,863
Miscellaneous	15,897	11,947	11,338	174,332†	82,352‡
Total	200,041	205,385	211,968	455,199	486,917
NORTHERN TERRITORY AND PORT AUGUSTA-OODNADATTA RAILWAY—					
Northern Territory Administration	61,923	72,761	76,379	79,402	71,494
Lands and Surveys	10,174	8,608	8,181	23,292	14,468
Goldfields and Mining	17,678	16,611	15,918		
Darwin—Katharine River Railway (Working Expenses)	56,144	52,815	50,647	27,601	24,440
Interest	146,369	155,265	123,482	148,879	99,429
Payments to Sinking Fund	9,093	6,295	8,245	6,436	6,195
Miscellaneous	4,920	4,722	11,632	8,181	17,204
PORT AUGUSTA-OODNADATTA RAILWAY—					
Loss on Working	37,259	25,792	46,187	30,861	53,131
Interest on Loans	80,962	81,350	59,386	99,297	78,187
Sinking Funds	6,093	4,398	6,093	5,921	5,910
Interest on S. Aust. Rolling Stock	5,720	5,720	5,720	5,720	6,435
Miscellaneous	661	554	900	894	849
Total	436,996	434,891	412,770	436,484	377,742
WORKS AND RAILWAYS—					
Administrative Staff	24,387	22,949	28,140	31,106	33,724
Public Works Staff and Supervision of Works	6,839	3,484	9,357	11,358	10,706
Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta Railway (Working Expenses)	232,726	237,204	264,798	292,167	255,776
Commonwealth Railways, Miscellaneous	6,597	7,665	2,766	1,987	23,612
Rent, Repairs, etc.	4,691	1,875	3,286	4,671	4,637
Interest on Transferred Properties	403	403	403	374	374
Interest on Loans	208,811	226,083	232,947	162,131	89,401
Payments to Sinking Funds	11,957	11,957	11,957	11,677	11,677
Miscellaneous (General)	3,846	15,842	5,852	12,627	10,468
Total	500,257	527,462	559,506	528,098	440,375
ATTORNEY-GENERAL—					
Secretary's Office	12,853	12,043	16,204	20,976	18,358
Crown Solicitor's Office	11,255	12,943	16,042	17,879	18,248
Salaries of Justices of High Court	21,500	21,500	21,216	21,556	21,500
High Court Expenses	9,852	8,837	11,922	12,925	12,276
Court of Conciliation and Arbitration	7,900	6,242	7,650	10,998	4,949
Rent, Repairs, etc.	9,414	4,839	4,733	5,889	8,200
Patents, Trade Marks, etc.	19,253	23,875	32,320	43,179	43,602
Miscellaneous	7,567	4,940	2,632	4,462	20,912
Total	99,594	95,219	112,719	137,864	148,045

* Including visit of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, £17,301; Royal Commission, Adjustment of the Basic Wage, £11,494; Grant for relief of distress caused by Maritime Strike, £32,979; Prize for Aerial Flight from Great Britain to Australia, £10,000.

† Includes cost of Census, £149.150.

‡ Includes cost of Census, £62,283.

Commonwealth Consolidated Revenue Fund—Disbursements—*continued.*

Departments, etc.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
TREASURY—	£	£	£	£	£
Treasury	29,391	32,072	48,393	61,139	56,084
Old-age Pensions—Salaries, etc.	53,391	61,406	73,509	85,016	88,687
Maternity Allowance Office	12,280	11,209	12,707	15,902	15,143
Rent, Repairs, etc.	20,623	18,732	25,676	28,090	33,064
Coinage	30,481	18,411	18,956	33,981	50,785
Invalid and Old-age Pensions	3,898,050	3,934,991	4,619,554	5,150,241	5,290,056
Taxation Office	281,524	311,330	375,711	513,422	594,123
Maternity Allowance	634,725	620,298	626,175	701,020	690,700
Interest on Loans	12,273	..	..	41,223	..
Miscellaneous	7,266	93,372	28,822	34,017	165,635
Total	4,980,004	5,101,821	5,829,503	6,664,051	6,984,277
TRADE AND CUSTOMS—					
Chief Office	21,849	29,403	37,362	43,862	68,677
Customs and Excise (General)	307,821	317,523	360,199	419,981	458,536
Administration of Commerce Act	30,310	28,957	36,495	36,814	19,030
Bureau of Commerce and Industry	123	1,972	3,773	5,160	5,000
Institute of Science and Industry	6,981	13,131	13,109	16,042	17,201
Commonwealth Laboratory	3,498	4,804	5,638	5,663	5,794
Inter-State Commission	11,903	12,007	10,545	3,650	..
Lighthouses	133,837	137,364	147,350	168,314	160,518
Navigation	555	211	1,479	8,100	18,188
Bounties	15,418	30,460	16,292	24,406	29,793
Pensions, etc.	16,545	17,213	17,186	16,803	16,946
Rents, Repairs, Supervision, etc.	13,521	10,508	13,821	15,124	17,485
Interest on Transferred Properties	64,147	36,286	70,130	64,089	42,497
Interest on Loans	726	2,072	2,949	3,170	1,741
Miscellaneous	6,535	6,534	8,427	15,867	27,715
Total	633,769	648,445	744,755	847,045	889,121
MILITARY—					
Chief Office	50,163	48,184	59,133	65,688	74,036
Military Services (including Air Services)	1,052,848	1,151,995	914,089	1,337,919	1,386,042
Audit (proportion)	21,548	8,407	13,196	14.269	12,211
Rent, Repairs, Supervision etc.	67,501	85,412	76,002	90,391	99,318
Interest on Transferred Properties	88,490	92,289	88,925	82,560	84,803
Interest on Loans	1,839	5,917	12,025	23,434	9,865
Compensation to Officers on Retirement	..	..	..	..	300,000
Miscellaneous	674	655	422	1,672	4,648
Total	1,283,063	1,392,859	1,163,792	1,615,933	1,970,923
NAVY—					
Chief Office	39,176	39,689	50,170	62,922	76,348
Naval	1,386,831	1,466,095	1,512,130	2,366,128	2,198,268
Rent, Repairs, Supervision, etc.	25,080	27,319	33,222	47,154	33,304
Interest on Transferred Properties	41,058	44,410	41,545	39,765	8,783
Interest on Loans	10,367	29,050	38,500	30,057	8,911
Miscellaneous (including Audit)	1,921	3,010	3,735	3,781	4,378
Total	1,504,433	1,609,573	1,679,302	2,549,807	2,329,992
AIR SERVICES—					
Air Forces	..	..	..	..	137,527
Civil Aviation	..	..	..	..	14,529
Miscellaneous	..	..	..	..	3,226
Total	..	..	..	..	155,282
POSTMASTER-GENERAL—					
Chief Office	21,960	23,189	25,842	30,949	33,954
Posts, Telegraphs, and Telephones	4,960,408	5,056,225	5,730,363	6,844,979	7,722,459
Pensions and Retiring Allowances	59,174	64,720	67,842	75,057	81,171
Rent, Repairs, Supervision, etc.	69,609	69,479	71,181	93,890	119,649
Interest on Transferred Properties	212,227	210,908	214,815	186,070	186,433
Interest on Loans	42,150	46,420	52,832	49,561	19,516
Payment to Sinking Fund	16,271	16,271	16,271	16,193	16,193
Miscellaneous	8,352	3,312	6,799	8,544	9,310
Total	5,390,151*	5,490,524*	6,185,945*	7,305,243*	8,188,685
HEALTH	85,760	173,460	125,063	133,118	172,227
Total Expenditure as above	15,616,896	16,194,280	17,732,690	21,488,238	23,251,203
New Works—Expenditure from Revenue	622,203	405,656	335,154	2,098,203	2,571,794
War Expenditure from Revenue	11,863,251	21,255,101	24,751,732	33,286,233	31,337,164
Total Expenditure from Revenue	28,102,350	37,855,037	42,819,576	56,872,674	57,160,161
Contribution to States	6,340,374	6,454,333	6,720,492	6,840,163	7,035,535
Interest States' Loans Act	548,750	810,311	911,250	911,250	911,250
Grant to Wheat Board	..	..	130,036	..	..
GRAND TOTAL	34,991,474	45,119,681	50,581,354	64,624,087	65,106,946

* The control of Radio Services having been resumed by the Postal Department, the expenditure on those services which in previous statements for these years was included in Naval expenditure has been transferred to Posts, Telegraphs and Telephones.

SUMMARY OF COMMONWEALTH EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE AND FROM LOAN FUNDS, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

Heading.	1917-18.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.
EXPENDITURE FROM REVENUE—	£	£	£	£	£
Ordinary Services—					
Interest on Transferred Properties	421,472	392,639	425,487	366,734	
Interest on Loans	555,258	609,535	594,514	618,377	23,251,203
Sinking Funds	47,883	43,390	47,035	42,640	
Other Ordinary Expenditure	14,592,283	15,148,716	16,665,654	20,460,487	
New Works, etc.	622,203	405,656	335,154	2,098,203	2,571,794
	16,239,099	16,599,936	18,067,844	23,586,441	25,822,997
War Services—					
Interest on Amount due to Imperial Government on Maintenance of Australian Troops	..	3,430,000*	1,816,000		
Interest on Loans	7,052,105	10,087,461	12,645,900	19,613,888	21,075,693
Sinking Fund	761,191	1,200,713	1,313,038		
Pensions	2,772,077	4,827, 68	6,032,270	7,389,739	7,028,379
Repatriation	200,000	1,300,000	2,500,000	3,563,360	2,092,326
Other Services	1,077,878	409,559	444,524	2,719,246	1,140,766
	11,863,251	21,255,101	24,751,732	33,286,233	31,337,164
Total Expenditure from Revenue	**28,102,350**	**37,855,037**	**42,819,576**	**56,872,674**	**57,160,161**
EXPENDITURE FROM LOANS—					
Ordinary Purposes—					
New Works, etc.	1,803,447	1,090,483	1,286,786	3,877,912	5,246,503
War Purposes	55,095,109	62,192,889	45,385,587	24,148,501	7,576,977
Total Expenditure from Loans	**56,898,556**	**63,283,372**	**46,672,373**	**28,026,413**	**12,823,480**
Total Expenditure for Ordinary Services and Purposes	**18,042,546**	**17,690,419**	**19,354,630**	**27,464,353**	**31,039,500**
Total Expenditure for War Purposes	**66,958,360**	**83,447,990**	**70,137,319**	**57,434,734**	**38,914,141**
Total Commonwealth Expenditure	**85,000,906**	**101,138,409**	**89,491,949**	**84,899,087**	**69,983,641**
In addition to the above the following Payments were made :—					
FROM REVENUE—					
Payment to States (Surplus Revenue Act)	6,250,374	6,364,333	6,630,492	6,750,163	6,950,535
Special Payment to Tasmania	90,000	90,000	90,000	90,000	85,000
Interest, State Loans	548,750	810,312	911,250	911,250	911,250
FROM LOANS—					
Loans to States	2,881,385	3,042,767	..	..	..

* Interest for two years from 1st July, 1917.

COMMONWEALTH LOAN EXPENDITURE 1917-18 to 1921-22.

Heading.	1917-18.	1918-19.	1919-20.	1920-21.	1921-22.
	£	£	£	£	£
Government House, Sydney ..	..	..	..	15,000	..
Prime Minister's Department—					
Subscription to Capital of Refinery Company, Oil Agreement Act 1920	..	..	..	25,000	75,000
London Offices	69,991	46,120	58,612	55,728	18,651
Immigration—Passage Money of Assisted Immigrants	..	..	..	..	133,848
Shipbuilding Yards	..	..	..	..	44,210
Department of Home and Territories—					
Federal Capital—Initial Settlement and Works	..	..	..	..	68,798
Federal Capital—Acquisition of Land	90,704	1,395	11,968	1,816	8,861
Federal Capital—Towards establishment	..	..	..	81,417	70,766
Queanbeyan Railway Line ..	4,260	1,160	*Cr.* 52	..	..
Acquisition of Land at Fairy Meadow	472	818	2,825	711	2,673
Papua—Loan	..	..	..	20,000	15,700
Department of Defence, Military—					
Purchase of Land for Defence purposes generally	28,250	27,458	6,157	..	5,123
Arsenal, Factories, Stores ..	79,664	76,099	374,649	196,239	181,095
Navy—					
Construction of Fleet, ...	355,397	..	..	2,999,630	3,369,118
Dock Yard, Naval Bases, etc. ..	384,814	557,709	296,098	290,396	159,769
Department of Trade and Customs—					
Purchase of Sites for Lighthouses ..	16	8,379	2,028	..	..
Purchase of Sites for Quarantine ..	99	7,838	72	1,031	..
Lighthouses	42,473	16,115	26,795	29,746	14,556
Department of Works and Railways—					
Land for Commonwealth Offices, Sydney	..	..	..	..	24,961
Railway—Kalgoorlie-Port Augusta	410,596	156,187	138,165	76,009	69,072
Contribution under River Murray Waters Act	..	55,760	39,241	56,722	112,372
Capital for Plant and Stores Suspense A/c	200,000	..	..	..	..
Postmaster-General's Department—					
Post Office Buildings	..	..	..	..	45,085
Land for Post and Telegraph purposes	2,811	1,621	*Cr.* 883	920	7,706
Perth General Post Office ..	24,347	18,291	23,073	21,644	45,000
Telegraphs and Telephones ..	67,375	116,760	305,538	*Cr.* 9	750,000
Northern Territory and Port Augusta-Oodnadatta Railway—					
Railway—Pine Creek to Katharine River	16,317	*Cr.* 1,365	..	..	4,746
Railway—Darwin to Katharine River	25,861	138	2,500	1,654	1,690
Railway—Port Augusta to Oodnadatta	..	..	..	4,258	8,946
Redemption of Loans raised by Government of South Australia—					
Health and Laboratories ..	..	..	..	..	8,757
Total Ordinary Loans Expenditure	1,803,447	1,090,483	1,286,786	3,877,912	5,246,503
Total War Loans Expenditure	55,095,109	62,192,889	45,385,587	24,148,501	7,576,977
Loans to States—					
Victoria	91,634	*Cr.* 5	..	..	..
Queensland	1,177,241	1,106,360	..	..	..
South Australia	343,695	1,229,856	..	..	..
Western Australia	997,496	565,537	..	..	..
Tasmania	271,314	141,019	..	..	..
	2,881,380	3,042,767	..	..	..
Total Payments from Loan Funds	59,779,936	66,326,139	46,672,373	28,026,413	12,823,480

LOANS AND ADVANCES BY THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT TO THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE STATES AT 31st DECEMBER, 1922.

State.	Particulars.	Amount.	
		£	
New South Wales ..	From Trust Funds	5,124	
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	9,808,411	
	Advances for construction of silos	10,000,000	
			10,813,535
Victoria	From Trust Funds	2,482	
	Under Loans to States Acts	1,954,000	
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	11,807.942	
	Advances to provide employment	92,000	
			13,856,424
Queensland ..	Under Loans to States Acts	5,462,500	
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,563,121	
	Advances to provide employment	400,000	
	Advances for Forestry	71,132	
			8,496,753
South Australia ..	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,563,956	
	Under Loans to States Acts	4,116,000	
	Advances to provide employment	28,796	
			6,708,752
Western Australia ..	Under Loans to States Acts	4,150,500	
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land ..	4,352,819	
			8,503,319
Tasmania ..	Under Loans to States Acts	1,067,000	
	Advances for settling soldiers on the land	2,072,393	
			3,139,393
	Total	..	51,518,176

NOTE.—In addition to the amounts shewn above, further sums are on loan to the various States from the Australian Notes Fund, which is now controlled by the Commonwealth Bank. On the 30th June, 1922, these amounts were:—New South Wales, £7,400,000; Victoria, £5,022,000; Queensland, £1,490,000; South Australia, £2,926,000; Western Australia, £4,025,000; Tasmania, £1,774,000.

COMMONWEALTH PUBLIC DEBT, 31st DECEMBER, 1922.

Items.	Amount.
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock (3½ per cent.) ..	£3,764,716
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Bonds (War Loan)	241,746,090
Commonwealth Registered Stock (6 per cent.) ..	20,000,000
Commonwealth Inscribed Stock and Debentures (Loan raised for States), 5½ per cent.	12,750,000
Commonwealth Treasury Bills (4 per cent.) ..	6,843,125
Commonwealth War Savings Certificates and Stamps	1,093,429
Debt to British Government	90,927,411
War Gratuity Bonds	21,435,557
South Australian Debt transferred—	
On account Northern Territory	2,209,294
,, Port Augusta–Oodnadatta Railway ..	1,695,053
Total	£402,464,675
Value of properties transferred from States ..	11,186,169
Total	£413,650,844

AVERAGE VALUE OF AUSTRALIAN NOTES HELD BY THE BANKS AND THE PUBLIC, 1918 to 1922.

Average during—	Held by Banks.	Held by Public.	Total Note Issue.
	£	£	£
1918	35,022,516	18,524,293	53,546,809
1919	35,316,039	20,253,726	55,569,765
1920	33,569,791	22,584,903	56,154,694
1921	33,657,493	24,171,307	57,828,800
1922	30,463,488	22,832,414	53,295,902
1923 January	29,817,075	22,632,547	52,449,622
February	29,860,663	22,479,534	52,340,197
March	28,853,341	23,431,645	52,284,986

COMMONWEALTH NOTES OUTSTANDING AS AT UNDERMENTIONED DATES.

Denomination.	25th Dec., 1918.	31st Dec., 1919.	27th Dec., 1920.	26th Dec., 1921.	26th March, 1923.
	£	£	£	£	£
10/	2,077,296	2,349,920	2,543,134	2,562,439	2,541,982
£1	14,026,276	14,873,984	16,272,082	16,065,948	15,210,219
£5	8,013,235	8,730,030	10,474,695	10,807,645	9,830,245
£10	3,543,220	4,044,210	4,687,650	4,316,120	3,995,480
£20	577,340	683,380	692,140	605,920	466,160
£50	1,384,650	1,478,650	1,656,800	1,517,400	1,340,000
£100	1,275,900	1,450,900	1,786,900	1,624,100	1,863,900
£1,000	28,148,000	22,992,000	19,538,000	18,049,000	17,037,000
Total	59,045,917	56,603,074	57,651,401	55,548,572	52,284,986
Gold Reserve	21,256,275	23,911,537	23,168,457	23,740,442	24,716,633
Per cent. of Reserve ..	35·99	42·24	40·19	42·74	47·27

OLD-AGE AND INVALID PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1922.

NOTE.—The Commonwealth commenced to pay Old-age Pensions on 1.7.1909, and Invalid Pensions on 15.12.1910.

State.	Number of Pensioners as at 30.6.22.			Number per 10,000 of Population.*		Average Fortnightly Pension as at 30.6.22.		Aggregate Annual Rate of Payment (approximate).	
	Old-age.	Invalid.	Total Old-age and Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Old-age.	Invalid.	Amount.	Per head of Pop.
						s. d.	s. d.	£	s. d.
New South Wales ..	40,065	15,897	55,962	188	75	28 6	29 4	2,091,466	19 10
Victoria	30,958	11,444	42,402	200	74	28 10	29 2	1,593,670	20 9
Queensland ..	13,478	5,152	18,630	175	67	28 8	29 2	697,242	18 2
South Australia ..	10,014	2,499	12,513	198	49	28 3	28 11	462,202	18 7
Western Australia ..	5,316	2,022	7,338	159	60	28 6	29 3	273,546	16 5
Tasmania	5,265	2,005	7,270	241	92	28 2	29 0	268,580	25 2
Total ..	105,096	39,019	144,115	191	71	28 7	29 3	5,386,706	19 9

* Population taken as at 31st December, 1921.

WAR PENSIONS AT 30th JUNE, 1922.

Place of Payment.	Number of Pensioners.				Average Fortnightly Rate of Pensions.								
	Incapacitated Soldiers.	Dependants of Deceased Soldiers.	Dependants of Incapacitated Soldiers.	Total.	Incapacitated Soldiers.			Dependants of Deceased and Incapacitated Soldiers.			All Pensions.		
					£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
New South Wales ..	24,971	12,936	29,951	67,858	1	14	9	0	19	1	1	4	10
Victoria	25,141	14,766	35,757	75,664	1	10	5	0	16	3	1	1	0
Queensland ..	8,778	4,210	10,794	23,782	1	15	11	0	17	8	1	4	5
South Australia ..	4,254	4,078	5,878	14,210	1	11	11	1	0	6	1	3	11
Western Australia	7,989	4,121	11,451	23,561	1	14	1	0	17	3	1	2	11
Tasmania ..	3,206	2,018	4,622	9,846	1	12	8	0	17	6	1	2	5
London	1,552	4,788	3,119	9,459	1	14	2	1	3	6	1	5	3
South Africa ..	53	48	59	160	1	11	7	1	2	10	1	5	9
New Zealand ..	279	277	229	785	1	11	7	1	3	6	1	6	5
Other	26	8	13	47	1	11	5	1	0	9	1	6	7
Total ..	76,249	47,250	101,873	225,372	1	13	1	0	18	1	1	3	2

WAR PENSIONS EXPENDITURE, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

Place of Payment.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
	£	£	£	£	£
New South Wales ..	844,685	1,586,981	1,826,111	2,331,633	2,294,258
Victoria	1,026,066	1,431,849	1,861,377	2,317,746	2,153,780
Queensland	294,013	505,223	664,093	814,359	775,998
South Australia ..	263,532	410,880	444,882	513,601	444,552
Western Australia ..	234,402	461,164	543,323	750,675	733,956
Tasmania	109,512	192,837	259,554	312,909	296,952
Elsewhere	..	239,138	273,430	348,816	328,883
Total ..	2,772,210	4,828,072	5,872,770	7,389,739	7,028,379

NOTE.—The liability for War Pensions as at 30th June, 1922, was approximately £6,783,426 per annum.

COMMONWEALTH MATERNITY ALLOWANCES.

Number of Claims Passed for Payment.

NOTE.—The Maternity Allowance Act came into force on 10th October, 1912, and from that date until 30th June, 1922, the following Claims, each for £5, were passed for payment :—

Year ended 30th June.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W.A.	Tasmania.	N.T.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1918	51,008	32,196	19,378	11,341	7,527	5,384	52	126,886
1919	49,777	31,797	19,137	11,154	6,867	5,214	70	124,016
1920	48,909	32,903	18,898	11,464	7,441	5,498	60	125,173
1921	56,378	36,778	20,674	12,224	8,142	5,915	41	140,152
1922	55,413	36,257	20,403	12,161	8,018	5,843	45	138,140
Total since 10.10.12 ..	502,602	334,167	189,413	114,674	78,981	54,806	407	1,275,050

FEDERAL INCOME TAX, 1920-21.*

Grade of Taxable Income.	Number of Taxpayers.	Tax Assessed.	Amount per Taxpayer.	Percentage of Total Tax Assessed.
		£	£	
Under £201	406,040	798,790	1.967	5.5
£201 to £500	85,429	841,576	9.851	5.8
£501 to £1,000	36,438	1,166,831	32.022	8.0
£1,001 to £10,000	24,041	6,256,075	260.225	43.2
£10,001 to £100,000 ..	822	4,164,559	5,066.373	28.7
Over £100,000	49	1,275,160	26,023.673	8.8
TOTAL ALL INCOMES ..	552,819	14,502,991	26.235	100.0

* Assessed on income for year 1918–19.

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX ASSESSMENTS, 1914-15 to 1918-19.

	1914–15.	1915–16.	1916–17.	1917–18.	1918–19.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
NUMBER OF TAXPAYERS—					
Resident Owners	14,690	14,931	14,735	14,948	14,473
Absentee Owners	3,539	3,653	3,544	3,560	3,451
TOTAL	18,229	18,584	18,279	18,508	17,924
UNIMPROVED VALUE OF LAND AS RETURNED BY OWNERS—	£	£	£	£	£
Resident	187,967,071	189,599,174	185,193,437	184,453,284	179,700,212
Absentee	4,380,040	4,262,691	4,144,517	4,219,257	3,979,190
TOTAL	192,347,111	193,861,865	189,337,954	188,672,541	183,679,402
UNIMPROVED VALUE AS ASCERTAINED BY DEPARTMENT—					
Resident	208,622,347	211,373,603	207,216,065	206,869,353	195,587,688
Absentee	4,550,560	4,529,784	4,371,934	4,380,470	4,155,103
TOTAL	213,172,907	215,903,387	211,587,999	211,249,823	199,742,791
TAX ASSESSED ON—					
Urban Land—Resident Owners ..	825,124	790,954	772,172	749,310	842,206
Absentee Owners ..	39,584	37,424	32,326	35,893	39,221
TOTAL	864,708	828,378	804,498	785,203	881,427
Rural Land—Resident Owners ..	1,375,836	1,415,006	1,348,738	1,340,145	1,290,911
Absentee Owners ..	18,186	17,000	18,359	16,840	15,885
TOTAL	1,394,022	1,432,006	1,367,097	1,356,985	1,306,796
All Land—Resident Owners ..	2,200,960	2,205,960	2,120,910	2,089,455	2,133,117
Absentee Owners ..	57,770	54,424	50,685	52,733	55,106
TOTAL	2,258,730	2,260,384	2,171,595	2,142,188	2,188,223
AREA OF RURAL LAND ASSESSED acs.	306,847,177	345,589,192	338,047,185	340,447,440	243,402,013
ASSESSED TAX ON RURAL LAND per ac.	1.090*d.*	0.994*d.*	0.971*d.*	0.957*d.*	1.289*d.*

COMMONWEALTH LAND TAX, 1917-18 to 1921-22.

Year ended 30th June.	Tax Assessed.	Fine Accrued.	Tax Received.	Fine Received.	Tax and Fine Outstanding.
	£	£	£	£	£
1918	2,190,492	1,646	1,971,437	1,324	219,377
1919	2,464,813	1,824	2,229,591	1,557	235,489
1920	2,494,792	2,935	2,241,061	2,526	254,140
1921	2,082,880	3,693	1,867,005	2,412	217,156
1922	1,868,358	1,474	1,658,910	54	210,868

PARTICULARS OF LOCAL AUSTRALIAN WAR LOANS.

Number of Issue and date when closed.	Number of Subscriptions.			Amount Subscribed.		
	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bonds.	Total.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bonds.	Total.
				£	£	£
1st (31/8/15)	8,603	10,145	18,748	9,581,120	3,808,320	13,389,440
2nd (31/1/16)	12,450	16,495	28,945	16,271,710	5,383,970	21,655,680
3rd (2/9/16)	13,660	88,382	102,042	15,417,880	8,169,770	23,587,650
4th (8/2/17)	13,666	53,806	67,472	14,695,240	6,888,780	21,584,020
5th (2/11/17)	9,882	31,826	41,708	14,276,790	6,936,990	21,213,780
6th (10/4/18)	26,330	117,534	143,864	18,611,070	24,340,050	42,951,120
7th (15/10/18)	16,303	226,891	243,194	14,886,730	29,197,020	44,083,750
8th (7/10/19)	9,208	87,566	96,774	11,474,690	13,550,680	25,025,370
9th (6/9/20)	8,913	52,636	61,549	12,372,040	14,240,520	26,612,560
10th (5/9/21)	4,672	24,797	29,469	5,016,700	5,070,240	10,086,940
Total ..	123,687	710,078	833,765	132,603,970	117,586,340	250,190,310

NOTE.—These issues were all at par, except the 10th, which was issued at 96, the rates of interest being as follows:—1 to 5 inclusive, 4½ per cent.; 6, optional—4½ per cent. free of Income Tax, or 5 per cent. subject to Income Tax; 7 and 8, rate 5 per cent.; 9 and 10, rate 6 per cent.

State Finance.

CONSOLIDATED REVENUE FUNDS OF STATES

REVENUE, 1921–22.

Sources of Revenue.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Taxation	7,249,017	3,791,174	3,420,296	1,778,576	881,159	727,701	17,847,923
Railways and Tramways	19,145,083	10,751,173	5,125,340	3,326,074	3,054,259	597,612	41,999,089
Land	1,904,221	433,222	1,549,063	285,760	435,188	91,989	4,699,443
Commonwealth Subsidy	2,632,036	1,918,967	951,178	621,862	554,704	355,238	7,033,985
All other Sources ..	4,707,463	3,463,197	1,265,501	1,759,480	1,981,797	408,855	13,586,745
Total Revenue ..	35,637,820	20,357,733	12,311,378	7,771,752	6,907,107	2,181,395	85,167,185
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Revenue per head	16 15 1	13 2 6	15 19 9	15 9 3	20 12 2	9 19 9	15 9 1

REVENUE, 1918 TO 1922.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	21,577,229	12,672,787	8,491,482	5,526,226	4,622,536	1,503,047	54,393,307
1919	23,448,166	13,044,088	9,415,543	5,798,313	4,944,850	1,581,984	58,232,944
1920	28,650,496	15,866,184	11,293 743	6,582,788	5,863,501	1,815,031	70,071,743
1921	34,031,396	19,054,475	12,601,031	7,151,366	6,789,565	2,105,449	81,733,282
1922	35,637,820	20,357,733	12,311,378	7,771,752	6,907,107	2,181,395	85,167,185

EXPENDITURE, 1921–22.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Interest and Charges on Public Debt ..	7,107,699	4,982,389	3,286,096	2,222,230	2,444,263	733,648	20,776,325
Railways and Tramways (exclusive of Construction)	14,588,001	8,117,070	4,808,362	2,512,596	2,553,124	548,510	33,127,663
All other Expenditure	15,270,825	7,197,820	4,405,512	3,091,415	2,641,855	1,019,919	33,627,346
Total Expenditure	36,966,525	20,297,279	12,499,970	7,826,241	7,639,242	2,302,077	87,531,334
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Expenditure per head ..	17 7 6	13 1 9	16 4 8	15 11 5	22 15 10	10 10 10	15 17 8

EXPENDITURE, 1918 TO 1922.

	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918	21,553,405	12,631,169	8,900,934	5,500,419	5,328,279	1,459,748	55,373,954
1919	23,233,398	13,023,407	9,587,532	5,876,811	5,596,864	1,644,512	58,962,524
1920	30,210,013	15,752,459	11,266,910	6,457,039	6,531,725	1,828,301	72,046,447
1921	34,476,892	18,941,698	12,591,201	7,543,640	7,476,291	2,189,157	83,218,879
1922	36,966,525	20,297,279	12,499,970	7,826,241	7,639,242	2,302,077	87,531,334

STATES LOAN EXPENDITURE DURING THE YEAR 1921-22.

Heads of Expenditure.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Railways and Tramways	4,789,517	3,478,021	1,226,280	572,482	419,131	490,990	10,976,421
Water Supply, etc. ..	2,744,691	968,048	159,475	1,194,894	217,578	..	5,284,686
Harbors, Rivers, etc. ..	676,642	..	..	714,371	91,640	132,879	3,022,227
Roads and Bridges ..	320,827	964,163	..	109,120	12,585		
Land Purchased for Settlement	1,500,000	4,431,854	459,201	(a) 50,105	747,442	168,341	7,256,733
Public Buildings ..	135,299	284,556	173,090	90,828	44,440	90,933	819,146
All other	275,756	1,678,349	581,527	57,832	922,108	1,214,221	4,729,793
Total	10,442,732	11,804,991	2,599,573	2,689,422	2,454,924	2,097,364	32,089,006
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Loans Expenditure per head	4 18 2	7 12 3	3 7 6	5 7 0	7 6 6	9 12 1	5 16 6

(a) Repayment.

AGGREGATE LOAN EXPENDITURE TO 30TH JUNE, 1922.

	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000	£1,000.
Railways and Tramways	101,851	61,696	45,760	22,024	18,677	6,342	256,350
Telegraphs and Telephones	1,762	..	996	992	..	..	3,750
Water Supply, etc. ..	33,606	15,034	1,721	13,001	5,410	..	68,772
Harbors, Rivers, etc. ..	18,176	926	2,419	4,820	4,023	5,328	45,772
Roads and Bridges ..	2,188	4,496	932	2,039	425		
Public Buildings ..	6,325	2,809	2,775	1,765	899	1,455	16,028
Land Purchased for Settlement	5,747	23,000	2,522	1,942	7,901	2,982	44,094
Defence	1,458	149	363	292	..	128	2,390
All other	10,607	10,108	12,523	6,191	8,135	5,583	53,147
Total	181,720	118,218	70,011	53,066	45,470	21,818	490,303

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS, 1918 to 1922.

Year. ended June 30.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918 ..	152,584,693*	79,595,646	62,296,986	40,621,480	42,304,001	15,127,355	392,540,161
1919 ..	147,174,536	82,031,929	65,581,121	42,650,206	43,637,076	15,281,281	396,356,149
1920 ..	152,776,082	87,647,739	69,680,764	43,753,146	46,822,003	16,630,038	417,309,772
1921 ..	164,336,492	97,317,831	80,382,052	48,556,552	49,039,667	18,776,306	458,408,900
1922 ..	180,796,322	109,099,199	85,691,228	54,388,688	54,959,778	21,945,411	506,880,626

* Includes Stock raised in February, 1918, for the redemption of loans maturing in September, 1918.

PUBLIC DEBT AS ON 30TH JUNE, 1922.

Particulars.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Western Australia.	Tasmania.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Floated Abroad ..	118,396,120	42,708,244	55,904,114	28,645,466	37,158,653	11,733,373	297,545,970
Floated in Australia	62,400,202	66,390,955	26,787,114	25,743,222	17,801,125	10,212,038	209,334,656
Total Gross Debt ..	180,796,322	109,099,199	85,691,228	54,388,688	54,959,778	21,945,411	506,880,626
Sinking Funds ..	417,067	2,754,540	393,615	1,263,448	8,370,160	948,376	14,147,206
Total Net Debt ..	180,379,255	106,344,659	85,297,613	53,125,240	46,589,618	20,997,035	492,733,420
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Total Net Debt per head	83 19 9	67 14 2	108 11 4	105 3 8	137 4 6	98 7 10	88 9 11

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AMOUNTS AT THE VARIOUS RATES OF INTEREST AT 30th JUNE, 1918 to 1922.

Rate of Interest.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.	£1,000.
7½	..	..	..	100	122
7¼	..	..	..	..	811
7	..	..	..	1,000	2,466
£6 15s. 2d.	..	..	..	..	631
6½	..	..	..	11,972	16,150
£6 7s.	..	..	..	..	5,524
£6 6s. 4d.	..	..	..	..	4,055
6¼	..	..	..	11,173	9,552
6	2	..	2,242	9,726	30,631
5¾	13,076	16,076	19,576	20,172	31,565
5½	10,180	20,924	35,333	47,235	58,262
£5 6s. 11d.	..	..	..	4,414	4,414
£5 5s. 3d.	..	..	..	2,452	2.453
5¼	6,695	8,463	25,220	22,852	22,622
5	17,582	18,100	20,693	18,405	18,655
4⅞	..	..	..	..	1,000
4¾	..	7,159	7,368	6,582	2,148
4½	37,747	33,557	28,278	27,155	30,083
4⅜	400	350	..	..	..
4¼	801	646	641	837	837
4⅛	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
4	93,220	92,322	87,384	83,984	82,443
3¾	24,377	23,835	12,654	12,020	11,378
3½	124,075	110,223	109,990	109,872	102,544
3¼	25	25	25	..	..
3	46,352	46,415	46,245	46,188	45,993
Overdue, &c.	8	261	3,661	4,270	4,541
Total	392,540	396,356	417,310	458,409	506,880

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS PER HEAD OF POPULATION, 1917 to 1922.

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917	72.575	55.347	89.735	89.036	133.699	75.552	75.289
1918	78.581	55.886	89.123	89.817	137.429	76.348	78.042
1919	73.615	55.682	90.500	91.043	136.568	74.527	76.265
1920	73.908	57.956	93.212	89.882	142.082	79.029	77.855
1921	78.204	63.295	104.429	97.596	147.214	88.574	84.028
1922	84.183	69.462	109.098	107.686	161.884	102.837	91.035

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ACCRUED SINKING FUNDS, 1917 to 1922.

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	Total.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917 ..	463,629	1,981,903	354,284	1,545,213	5,035,963	765,489	10,146,481
1918 ..	494,163	2,186,078	369,522	1,533,973	5,570,851	878,737	11,033,324
1919 ..	388,259	2,600,778	385,540	1,509,930	6,139,008	646,197	11,669,712
1920 ..	384,639	2,395,813	402,421	1,437,519	6,848,826	699,890	12,169,108
1921 ..	409,988	2,579,019	376,899	1,438,415	7,641,564	815,835	13,261,720
1922 ..	417,067	2,754,540	393,615	1,263,448	8,370,160	948,376	14,147,206

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—ANNUAL AMOUNT OF INTEREST PAYABLE, 1917 to 1921.

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917 ..	5,257,546	2,931,265	2,396,340	1,546,229	1,549,854	574,982	14,256,216
1918 ..	6,077,448	3,057,269	2,445,780	1,635,421	1,615,167	601,104	15,432,189
1919 ..	6,037,202	3,178,607	2,638,310	1,761,902	1,684,681	615,603	15,916,305
1920 ..	6,563,940	3,547,606	2,740,881	1,839,367	1,857,825	692,721	17,242,340
1921 ..	7,274,749	4,307,841	3,372,217	2,163,037	1,996,589	869,364	19,983,797

STATE PUBLIC DEBTS.—AVERAGE RATES OF INTEREST PAYABLE, 1917 to 1921.

30th June.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'nsland.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	All States
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1917 ..	3.806	3.752	3.909	3.928	3.788	3.919	3.829
1918 ..	3.983	3.841	3.926	4.026	3.818	3.971	3.925
1919 ..	4.127	3.874	4.023	4.131	3.860	4.029	4.015
1920 ..	4.296	4.047	4.069	4.204	3.968	4.166	4.168
1921 ..	4.426	4.426	4.212	4.455	4.071	4.630	4.359

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS, 1918 to 1922.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£	£	£	£
1918	13,224,312	11,382,431	9,932,183	34,538,926
1919	17,426,970	15,437,516	11,971,254	44,835,740
1920	21,574,559	20,273,133	14,291,633	56,139,325
1921	31,809,906	20,617,515	18,203,646	70,631,067
1922	27,630,359	22,048,483	17,682,887	67,361,729

TAXATION BY COMMONWEALTH AND STATE GOVERNMENTS PER HEAD, 1918 to 1922.

Year ended 30th June.	Taxation by Commonwealth Government.		Taxation by State Governments.	Total Taxation.
	Indirect.	Direct.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1918	2 13 1	2 5 8	1 19 10	6 18 7
1919	3 8 8	3 0 9	2 7 1	8 16 6
1920	4 1 4	3 16 5	2 14 0	10 11 9
1921	5 17 7	3 16 2	3 7 3	13 1 0
1922	5 0 4	4 0 0	3 4 2	12 4 6

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS (Formerly Banks of Issue).

LIABILITIES IN AUSTRALIA, 1918 TO 1922.

Quarter ended 30th June.	Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to Other Banks.	Deposits.			Total Liabilities.
				Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.*	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918 ..	229,639	1,726,045	4,486,497	112,262,321	112,504,432	224,766,753	231,208,934
1919 ..	221,755	1,813,390	6,540,609	118,988,567	130,069,687	249,058,254	257,634,008
1920 ..	224,130	2,343,713	4,505,117	133,912,800	131,715,792	265,628,592	272,701,552
1921 ..	213,868	2,392,074	5,745,770	127,789,314	154,767,037	282,556,351	290,908,063
1922 ..	209,894	2,299,870	4,377,704	123,819,184	164,725,978	288,545,162	295,432,630
31/12/22	208,047	2,582,553	4,272,203	120,372,363	170,323,234	290,695,597	297,758,400

* Includes Savings Bank deposits in the Commonwealth Bank.

CHEQUE-PAYING BANKS—ASSETS IN AUSTRALIA, 1918 TO 1922.

Quarter ended 30th June. *	Coin.	Bullion.	Australian Notes.	Land and Other Property.	Notes and Bills of Other Banks.	Balances due from Other Banks.	All Other Debts due to the Banks.†	Total Assets.
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1918 ..	21,518,264	889,032	33,952,572	5,300,834	2,149,799	6,087,990	165,433,989	236,332,480
1919 ..	21,341,026	793,883	35,759,107	5,215,550	2,274,422	7,798,735	204,768,013	277,950,736
1920 ..	20,704,078	625,786	34,610,763	5,375,279	2,909,031	7,819,654	197,829,682	269,874,273
1921 ..	21,066,405	560,427	34,492,912	5,736,389	2,406,515	6,644,558	241,838,689	312,745,895
1922 ..	21,350,702	551,351	30,314,643	5,892,641	5,249,453	6,603,581	232,223,277	302,185,648
31/12/22	21,773,731	572,148	27,910,902	6,156,428	2,932,870	7,015,499	243,268,970	309,630,548

* Includes statistics for the Commonwealth Bank. † Including Government and municipal securities for quarter ended 30th June, 1918 £26,023,531; 1919, £26,815,188; 1920, £37,136,141; 1921, £48,402,929; 1922, £49,985,659, and 31/12/22, £49,945,241.

SAVINGS BANKS, 1917-18 to 1921-22.*

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas-mania.	N. Terr.	Total.
			NUMBER OF DEPOSITORS.					
1917–18 ..	920,337	913,875	313,248	337,709	182,140	95,154	1,274	2,763,737
1918–19 ..	984,951	966,543	343,424	357,310	192,879	99,565	1,167	2,945,839
1919–20 ..	1,053,893	1,014,223	364,149	377,435	204,005	108,289	987	3,122,981
1920–21 ..	1,126,157	1,072,554	327,065	396,970	217,136	115,502	935	3,256,319
1921–22 ..	1,186,948	1,127,892	337,621	414,570	225,136	120,252	861	3,413,280
31/12/22..	1,216,559	1,153,613	346,029	420,879	229,526	124,280	869	3,491,755
			AMOUNT ON DEPOSIT.					
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
1917–18 ..	43,039,012	34,598,186	16,501,325	12,899,036	6,290,027	2,917,235	95,071	116,339,892
1918–19 ..	47,070,342	38,772,024	17,510,975	14,803,237	7,002,473	3,285,393	81,097	128,525,541
1919–20 ..	49,933,535	42,317,863	17,909,571	15,496,514	7,258,384	3,930,181	57,106	136,903,154
1920–21 ..	57,394,441	48,970,989	18,587,942	16,317,353	7,663,440	4,159,522	53,790	153,147,477
1921–22 ..	61,791,273	52,131,032	19,394,158	16,931,678	7,759,317	4,224,662	41,115	162,273,233
31/12/22..	61,938,498	52,580,909	19,962,094	16,970,569	7,735,481	4,276,662	36,219	163,500,432

AVERAGE PER DEPOSITOR.

End of Year.	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	Tas.	N. Terr.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1917–18..	46 15 3	37 17 2	52 13 7	38 3 11	34 10 8	30 13 2	74 12 6	42 1 11
1918–19..	47 15 9	40 2 3	50 19 9	41 7 7	36 8 2	32 19 11	69 9 8	43 12 7
1919–20..	47 7 7	41 14 6	49 3 8	41 1 2	35 11 7	36 5 10	57 17 2	43 16 1
1920–21..	50 19 4	45 13 2	56 16 8	41 2 1	35 5 10	36 0 3	57 10 7	47 0 7
1921–22..	52 1 2	46 4 5	57 8 10	40 16 10	34 9 4	35 2 7	47 15 1	47 10 10
31/12/22	50 18 3	45 11 7	57 13 9	40 6 5	33 14 0	34 8 3	41 13 7	46 16 6

AVERAGE PER INHABITANT.

1917–18..	22	3	4	24	5	10	23	15	2	28	11	6	20	8	8	14	14	3	19	10	4	23	2	7
1918–19..	23	10	10	26	6	4	24	3	3	31	12	0	21	18	4	16	0	6	17	8	5	24	14	7
1919–20..	24	3	1	27	19	8	23	19	2	31	16	8	22	0	6	18	13	6	13	11	1	25	10	10
1920–21..	27	6	3	31	17	8	24	3	5	32	15	11	23	0	1	19	12	5	13	13	11	28	1	6
1921–22..	28	15	5	33	3	10	24	13	10	33	10	6	22	17	1	19	15	11	11	4	6	29	2	10
31/12/22	28	10	3	33	1	2	25	5	3	33	1	1	22	11	0	19	10	6	10	3	10	29	0	4

* Includes Commonwealth Savings Bank.

COMMONWEALTH SAVINGS BANK, 1914, 1920, 1922.

State.	30th June, 1914.		30th June, 1920.		31st December, 1922.	
	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.	No. of Depositors.	Amount at Credit of Depositors.
		£		£		£
New South Wales ..	37,677	1,171,255	186,355	5,506,094	237,021	7,444,802
Victoria	30,371	1,151,823	115,584	4,572,635	137,290	5,493,495
Queensland.. ..	24,202	815,947	88,721	3,058,435	346,029	19,962,094
South Australia ..	7,965	317,135	40,094	1,664,173	48,169	2,004,183
Western Australia ..	10,111	277,956	47,462	1,473,301	59,625	2,026,442
Tasmania	32,392	885,379	53,616	1,407,815	58,446	1,488,081
Northern Territory ..	292	18,709	987	57,106	869	36,219
Papua	133	7,064	1,103	53,078	1,544	72,364
London	..	..	5,873	189,765	7,582	359,190
Total ..	143,143	4,645,268	539,795	17,982,402	896,575	38,886,870

Section V.—Railways.

RAILWAYS (GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE) OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, 1917-18 TO 1921-22.

NOTE.—The mileage of private lines is shown in brackets.

Government.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
Federal ..	1,734	1,734	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales ..	4,679 (346)	4,825 (345)	5,015 (362)	5,043 (359)	5,116 (359)
Victoria	4,152 (71)	4,190 (71)	4,214 (71)	4,267 (71)	4,317 (71)
Queensland ..	5,295 (1,474)	5,469 (1,372)	5,685 (1,261)	5,752 (1,261)	5,799 (*a*)
South Australia ..	2,242 (39)	2,290 (39)	2,333 (50)	2,333 (55)	2,357 (55)
Western Australia	3,491 (959)	3,538 (973)	3,538 (854)	3,538 (913)	3,538 (875)
Tasmania ..	588 (194)	601 (210)	629 (211)	630 (247)	637 (236)
Total ..	22,181 (3,083)	22,647 (3,010)	23,147 (2,809)	23,296 (2,906)	23,497 (*b*)
Private—					
For general traffic	1,241	1,125	968	994	1,002
„ private „	1,842	1,885	1,841	1,912	(*a*)
Grand Total ..	25,264	25,657	25,956	26,202	(*b*)

(*a*) Not available. (*b*) Incomplete.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE, 1922.

Government.	Cost of Construction and Equipment.	Gross Earnings.	Working Expenses.	Net Earnings. (—denotes net loss.)		
				Amount.	Per Train Mile.	Per cent. on Capital.
	£1,000.	£	£	£	*s.* *d.*	%
Federal ..	11,276	322,499	460,622	−138,123	−3 9.3	−1.23
New South Wales	83,790	15,213,019	11,116,302	4,096,717	3 8.9	4.89
Victoria ..	62,941	10,791,082	8,026,665	2,764,417	3 5.8	4.39
Queensland ..	42,519	5,154,530	4,810,362	344,168	0 8.6	0.81
South Australia	19,743	3,297,347	2,537,110	760,237	2 8.4	3.85
Western Australia	18,331	2,827,856	2,328,843	499,013	2 2.2	2.72
Tasmania ..	5,753	588,297	538,066	50,231	0 8.4	0.87
Total ..	244,353	38,194,630	29,817,970	8,376,660	2 9.6	3.43

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1917–18 TO 1921–22—*continued.*

Government.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
AVERAGE MILES WORKED.					
Federal	1,734	1,734	1,733	1,733	1,733
New South Wales	4,551	4,737	4,966	5,019	5,077
Victoria	4,139	4,159	4,194	4,237	4,279
Queensland	5,281	5,324	5,635	5,733	5,784
South Australia	2,235	2,285	2,316	2,333	2,344
Western Australia	3,463	3,507	3,538	3,538	3,538
Tasmania	591	599	635	637	635
Total	21,994	22,345	23,017	23,230	23,390
TRAIN MILES RUN—'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	849	675	726	811	731
New South Wales	18,143	19,935	22,835	22,792	21,887
Victoria	13,626	13,032	15,022	15,909	15,857
Queensland	10,320	9,943	10,444	10,736	9,634
South Australia	5,441	5,413	5,192	5,713	5,630
Western Australia	4,095	4,256	4,851	4,918	4,565
Tasmania	1,056	1,108	1,267	1,387	1,433
Total	53,530	54,362	60,337	62,266	59,737
GROSS EARNINGS—'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	278	266	316	333	323
New South Wales	8,955	9,958	13,084	14,267	15,213
Victoria	6,562	6,432	8,225	9,796	10,791
Queensland	4,024	3,985	4,960	5,279	5,155
South Australia	2,331	2,392	2,726	2,942	3,297
Western Australia	1,816	1,873	2,292	2,720	2,828
Tasmania	357	401	506	600	588
Total	24,323	25,307	32,109	35,937	38,195
WORKING EXPENSES—'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	388	407	418	499	461
New South Wales	5,941	6,904	9,571	11,033	11,116
Victoria	4,451	4,280	6,059	7,836	8,027
Queensland	3,410	3,690	4,323	5,049	4,810
South Australia	1,747	1,830	2,007	2,655	2,537
Western Australia	1,451	1,568	2,001	2,422	2,329
Tasmania	278	325	390	476	538
Total	17,666	19,004	24,769	29,970	29,818
NET EARNINGS—'000 OMITTED.					
Federal	–110	–141	–102	–166	–138
New South Wales	3,014	3,054	3,513	3,234	4,097
Victoria	2,111	2,152	2,166	1,960	2,765
Queensland	614	294	637	230	344
South Australia	584	562	719	287	760
Western Australia	365	305	291	298	499
Tasmania	79	77	116	124	50
Total	6,657	6,303	7,340	5,967	8,377

– denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—1917–18 TO 1921–22—*continued.*

Government.	1917–18.	1918–19.	1919–20.	1920–21.	1921–22.
PERCENTAGE OF NET EARNINGS ON CAPITAL COST.					
	%	%	%	%	%
Federal	−1.03	−1.29	−0.92	−1.49	−1.23
New South Wales	4.02	3.99	4.43	3.93	4.89
Victoria	3.73	3.75	3.72	3.27	4.39
Queensland	1.65	0.77	1.59	0.56	0.81
South Australia	3.25	3.01	3.76	1.48	3.55
Western Australia	2.06	1.70	1.61	1.64	2.72
Tasmania	1.58	1.51	2.21	2.30	0.87
Total	3.02	2.80	3.18	2.51	3.43

− denotes loss.

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1921.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,733	5,081	4,269	5,794	2,333	3,645	635	23,490
*b*Revenue—								
*b*Coaching (Passengers, Parcels, Mails, &c.) £	87	3,501	2,746	973	639	477	128	8,551
*b*Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	71	4,021	2,238	1,601	915	808	147	9,801
*b*Miscellaneous £	21	(*a*)	148	45	33	79	12	338
*b*Total Revenue £	179	7,522	5.132	2,619	1,587	1,364	287	18,690
*b*Expenditure £	231	5,863	3,880	2,441	1,207	1,205	273	15,100
*b*Train miles run ..	394	10,822	7,666	4,900	2,739	2,201	702	29,424
Earnings per train mile	9s. 1d.	13s. 11d.	13s. 5d.	10s. 8d.	11s. 7d.	12s. 5d.	8s. 2d.	12s. 8d.
Expenditure per train mile	11s. 9d.	10s. 10d.	10s. 2d.	10s. 0d.	8s. 10d.	11s. 0d.	7s. 9d.	10s. 3d.
Expenditure per cent. to earnings ..	129.43	77.98	76.42	93.39	76.32	89.11	94.50	80.79
*b*Passenger Journeys, No.	58	60,190	70,519	13,586	(*d*)5,877	9,344	1,311	160,885
*b*Coal and Coke carried, tons	4	3,908	258	299	152	264	113	4,998
*b*Other Minerals carried, tons	..	695	1	166	261	176	..	1,299
*b*Live Stock carried, tons	24	289	241	143	66	41	9	813
*b*Other Goods carried ,,	33	2,437	2,686	1,544	736	912	186	8,534
*b*Total Freight carried ,,	61	7,329	3,186	2,152	1,215	1,393	308	15,644

GOVERNMENT RAILWAYS—*continued.*

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1922.

Particulars.	Federal.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
Miles open	1,733	5,169	4,317	5,879	2,357	3,546	664	23,665
*b*Revenue—								
*b*Coaching (Passengers, Parcels Mails, &c.) £	80	3,539	2,771	1,026	635	484	125	8,660
*b*Goods, including Live Stock and Minerals £	79	4,068	2,370	1,718	1,138	856	134	10,363
*b*Miscellaneous £	24	(*a*)	291	19	34	83	15	466
*b*Total Revenue £	183	7,607	5,432	2,763	1,807	1,423	274	19,489
*b*Expenditure £	232	5,734	4,005	2,401	1,297	1,137	256	15,062
*b*Train miles run ..	421	10,600	7,934	5,622	3,011	2,164	719	30,471
Earnings per train mile	8s. 8d.	14s. 4d.	13s. 8d.	9s. 10d.	11s. 11d.	13s. 2d.	7s. 8d.	12s. 9d.
Expenditure per train mile	11s.	10s. 10d.	10s. 1d.	8s. 7d.	8s. 8d.	10s. 6d.	7s. 1d.	9s. 11d.
Expenditure per cent. to Earnings	126.94	75.37	73 73	86.87	71.84	79.80	93.28	77.27
*b*Passenger Journeys, No.	55	61,289	76,023	13,984	(*d*)6,252	8,759	1,441	(*f*) 167,803
*b*Coal and Coke carried, tons	3	3,726	121	334	149	237	49	4,619
*b*Other Mineral carried, tons	(*c*)	707	(*c*)	220	542	231	(*e*)	1,700
*b*Live Stock carried, tons	30	355	310	176	90	48	10	1,019
*b*Other Goods carried ,,	30	2,075	2,898	1,620	671	888	189	8,371
*b*Total Freight carried ,,	63	6,863	3,329	2,350	1,452	1,404	248	15,709

(*a*) Included with Coaching and Goods. (*b*) ,000 omitted. (*c*) Included with other goods. (*d*) For 3 months. (*e*) Included with Coal and Coke. (*f*) 3 months for State of South Australia.

Section VI.—Aircraft.

PARTICULARS FOR SIX MONTHS ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1922.

Particulars.		States in which Aeroplanes are Located.					Total.
		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S. Aust.	W. Aust.	
Companies or persons owning aircraft ..	No.	11	11	5	1	2	30
Aeroplanes	No.	18	23	9	1	8	59
(*a*) Staff employed—							
Certificated Pilots ..	No.	6	12	3	1	5	27
Others	No.	5	27	4	1	15	52
Flights carried out ..	No.	627	1,587	322	6	449	2,991
Hours flown ..		176h. 04m.	383h. 38m.	294h. 55m.	5h. 30m.	821h. 55m.	1,682h. 02m.
Approximate mileage	Miles	11,333	27,815	20,261	360	65,418	125,187
Passengers carried—							
Paying	No.	891	1,107	84	..	(*c*)	(*d*)
Non-Paying ..	No.	99	465	113	3	(*c*)	(*d*)
Total	No.	990	1,572	197	3	517	3,279
Goods, Weight carried	lbs.	..	..	1,495	..	2,927	4,422
Mails, Letters carried ..	No.	..	..	(*b*)2,577	..	60,238	(*e*) 62,815
Accidents—							
Injuries to Personnel ..	No.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Damage to Aircraft ..	No.	4	1	..	1	2	8

(*a*) Monthly average. (*b*) For two months only. (*c*) Not available. (*d*) Incomplete.
(*e*) Includes Queensland for two months only.

Section VII.—Labour and Industrial Statistics.

TRADE UNIONS.

Number of Trade Unions, Branch Unions and Membership, at end of Years 1917 to 1922.

Year.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	Total.	Total.
				NO. OF SEPARATE UNIONS.					
1917 ..	220	156	96	93	108	71	3	747	*389
1918 ..	217	158	102	101	111	74	4	767	*394
1919 ..	211	160	106	101	112	77	4	771	*394
1920 ..	214	158	115	104	121	81	3	796	*388
1921 ..	213	159	118	108	116	79	3	796	*382
1922 ..	217	169	118	106	117	83	3	813	*387
				NO. OF BRANCHES.					
1917 ..	765	353	291	98	195	76	..	1,778	†2,136
1918 ..	785	346	298	137	195	75	..	1,836	†2,209
1919 ..	748	411	338	134	161	76	..	1,868	†2,245
1920 ..	871	453	340	139	172	81	..	2,056	†2,464
1921 ..	925	466	344	150	173	83	..	2,141	†2,555
1922 ..	858	452	346	144	189	69	..	2,058	†2,484
				NO. OF MEMBERS.					
1917 ..	248,851	148,730	75,393	45,400	33,263	10,886	1,664	564,187	564,187
1918 ..	243,176	152,063	87,737	51,559	33,761	11,900	1,559	581,755	581,755
1919 ..	255,899	164,583	97,378	56,879	38,169	13,556	1,221	627,685	627,685
1920 ..	277,519	187,100	103,784	55,958	44,054	15,220	815	684,450	684,450
1921 ..	285,638	195,971	103,786	55,701	45,334	15,842	737	703,009	703,009
1922 ..	284,689	206,281	100,939	55,208	41,405	14,346	70	702,938	702,938

* Allowing for Inter-State duplication. The figures represent the number of distinct organizations and Inter-State groups of organizations in Australia. They do not represent the total number of organizations which are practically independent and self-governing. † Includes not only branches of separate State unions and sub-branches in each State of Inter-State unions, but also head State branches of Inter-State unions.

Classification of Trade Unions in Australia according to Number of Members at end of Years 1917 to 1922.

Classification.	10,000 and over.	5,000 and under 10,000.	2,000 and under 5,000.	1,000 and under 2,000.	500 and under 1,000.	300 and under 500.	200 and under 300.	100 and under 200.	50 and under 100.	Under 50.	Total.
					NUMBER OF UNIONS.						
1917 ..	9	19	27	36	48	44	28	48	63	67	389
1918 ..	11	15	33	39	51	38	19	66	65	57	394
1919 ..	13	13	34	44	52	31	32	62	62	51	394
1920 ..	14	13	41	43	57	29	27	60	54	50	388
1921 ..	15	15	37	41	55	26	30	57	53	53	383
1922 ..	16	14	44	42	42	30	33	53	56	57	387
					MEMBERSHIP.						
1917 ..	217,002	144,198	78,019	52,258	34,944	17,433	7,032	6,742	4,550	2,009	564,187
1918 ..	259,824	103,152	91,656	54,119	37,784	14,840	4,599	9,502	4,623	1,656	581,755
1919 ..	292,406	95,400	104,547	64,145	37,083	12,148	7,624	8,392	4,430	1,510	627,685
1920 ..	314,437	101,801	136,587	60,324	40,464	10,751	6,451	8,391	3,763	1,481	684,450
1921 ..	337,683	115,364	120,331	58,775	39,729	10,442	7,213	8,076	3,722	1,674	703,009
1922 ..	338,689	104,299	138,492	57,115	30,834	12,019	8,150	7,602	3,987	1,751	702,938

Unemployment—Australia.—Number and Membership of Unions Reporting and Number and Percentage Unemployed,* 1916 to 1923 (1st Quarter).

Particulars.	Unions.	Membership.	UNEMPLOYED.	
			Number.	Percentage.
1916, 4th Quarter	470	292,051	19,562	6.7
1917, 4th ,, ...	459	296,937	21,989	7.4
1918, 4th ,, ...	475	308,850	16,919	5.5
1919, 4th ,, ...	459	317,413	16,637	5.2
1920, 4th ,, ...	450	351,013	27,463	7.8
1921, 1st ,, ...	449	344,347	39,346	11.4
2nd ,, ...	453	363,675	45,622	12.5
3rd ,, ...	456	368,462	41,979	11.4
4th ,, ...	436	370,491	35,250	9.5
1922, 1st ,, ...	442	378,550	34,879	9.2
2nd ,, ...	448	373,757	35,796	9.6
3rd ,, ...	443	381,380	36,706	9.6
4th ,, ...	445	390,304	33,570	8.6
1923, 1st ,, ...	452	377,209	27,112	7.2

* The quarterly figures show the number of persons who were out of work for three days or more during a specified week in each quarter; they do not include persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Percentage of Members of Trade Unions returned as Unemployed* at the end of Year 1912 and Quarterly for 1921 to 1923 (1st Quarter).

State.	1912. end of Year.	1921. 2nd quar. (April to June).	1921. 3rd quar. (July to Sept.).	1921. 4th quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1922. 1st quar. (Jan. to Mar.).	1922. 2nd quar. (April to June).	1922. 3rd quar. (July to Sept.).	1922. 4th quar. (Oct. to Dec.).	1923. 1st quar. (Jan. to Mar.).
New South Wales ..	5.0	13.5	12.3	11.9	11.1	11.4	11.9	11.4	10.2
Victoria	6.7	9.8	10.2	5.9	6.2	7.8	7.4	5.2	4.4
Queensland	4.6	21.8	13.5	11.3	11 1	7.7	8.6	12.4	8.0
South Australia ..	5.1	9.1	8.5	6.1	6.6	6.4	6.6	3.3	2.7
Western Australia ..	5.8	8.3	9.2	8.0	8.5	11.4	11.1	8.9	6.9
Tasmania	3.4	10.3	15.7	16.7	13.7	10.4	6.7	3.9	4.1
Total	5.6	12.5	11.4	9.5	9.2	9.6	9.6	8.6	7.2

* Not including persons out of work through strikes or lockouts.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1918 to 1922 (4th Quarter).

Periods.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes. Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes. New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	Total Estimated loss in Wages. * £
NEW SOUTH WALES.									
Year 1918 ..	138	182	24,417	8,624	33,041	..	..	181,639	112,894
„ 1919 ..	267	678	64,956	35,040	99,996	..	..	4,224,686	2,856,259
„ 1920 ..	349	650	68,033	22,349	90,382	..	..	587,156	432,988
„ 1921 ..	535	567	108,573	29,921	138,494	..	..	547,838	493,267
„ 1922 ..	342	657	88,257	14,042	102,299	..	..	568,520	579,491
1st Quarter, 1922	**92**	**93**	**21,627**	**4,523**	**26,150**	**115,570**	**1,415**	**116,985**	**117,526**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**72**	**72**	**17,714**	**2,523**	**20,237**	**57,255**	**36,790**	**94,045**	**95,283**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**79**	**80**	**22,054**	**3,216**	**25,280**	**100,149**	**41,406**	**141,555**	**153,917**
4th Quarter, 1922	**97**	**410**	**26,767**	**3,780**	**30,547**	**210 603**	**23,332**	**233,935**	**212,765**
VICTORIA.									
Year 1918 ..	33	190	4,235	1,513	5,748	..	..	165,020	99,346
„ 1919 ..	62	372	15,169	7,437	22,606	..	..	733,333	392,796
„ 1920 ..	53	809	15,274	24,534	39,808	..	..	783,286	465,244
„ 1921 ..	20	118	4,119	2,161	6,280	..	..	109,595	69,629
„ 1922 ..	29	412	5,819	311	6,130	..	..	64,701	47,695
1st Quarter, 1922	**9**	**93**	**2,450**	**62**	**2,512**	**21,822**	..	**21.822**	**18,357**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**8**	**83**	**636**	**67**	**703**	**9,671**	**803**	**10,474**	**7,100**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**2**	**42**	**210**	**70**	**280**	**2,960**	**4,157**	**7,117**	**4,620**
4th Quarter, 1922	**10**	**194**	**2,523**	**112**	**2,635**	**13,744**	**11,544**	**25,288**	**17,618**
QUEENSLAND.									
Year 1918 ..	84	696	8,803	1,875	10,678	..	..	183,883	131,142
„ 1919 ..	69	295	9,078	6,336	15,414	..	..	586,661	327,537
„ 1920 ..	55	71	3,775	2,033	5,808	..	..	68,298	44,943
„ 1921 ..	33	97	3,367	1,512	4,879	..	..	95,560	69,793
„ 1922 ..	38	49	2,611	620	3,231	..	..	36,730	32,589
1st Quarter, 1922	**6**	**6**	**193**	**12**	**205**	**868**	..	**868**	**662**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**13**	**13**	**929**	..	**929**	**5,823**	..	**5,823**	**5,286**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**10**	**10**	**613**	**479**	**1,092**	**7,349**	..	**7,349**	**6,121**
4th Quarter, 1922	**9**	**20**	**876**	**129**	**1,005**	**17,517**	**5,173**	**22,690**	**20,520**
SOUTH AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1918 ..	17	25	1,576	429	2,005	..	..	18,276	10,515
„ 1919 ..	32	75	4,437	3,409	7,846	..	..	238,378	127,303
„ 1920 ..	40	126	4,732	1,067	5,799	..	..	232,402	140,326
„ 1921 ..	19	45	2,158	1,002	3,160	..	..	57,038	37.315
„ 1922 ..	19	229	2,294	929	3,223	..	..	114,334	43,222
1st Quarter, 1922	**10**	**14**	**258**	**215**	**473**	**2,758**	**1,443**	**4,201**	**2,805**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**3**	**3**	**147**	..	**147**	**295**	..	**295**	**282**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**3**	**207**	**1,632**	**561**	**2,193**	**94,875**	..	**94,875**	**33,752**
4th Quarter, 1922	**2**	**4**	**218**	**153**	**371**	**4,963**	**10,000**	**14,963**	**6,383**

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

Industrial Disputes.—Number and Magnitude of Industrial Disputes (causing stoppage of work), 1918 to 1922 (4th Quarter)—*continued.*

Periods.	No. of New Disputes.	No. of establishments involved in New Disputes.	No. of Workpeople involved in New Disputes.			No. of Working Days Lost. All Disputes.			Total Estimated loss in Wages. *
			Directly.	Indirectly.	Total.	New Disputes.	Old Disputes.	Total.	£
WESTERN AUSTRALIA.									
Year 1918 ..	22	56	3,368	1,435	4,803	..	..	31,145	17,792
„ 1919 ..	20	157	5,516	4,460	9,976	..	..	359,987	213,867
„ 1920 ..	45	434	9,095	2,918	12,013	..	..	146,640	108,055
„ 1921 ..	12	56	1,906	10,157	12,063	..	..	145,103	86,038
„ 1922 ..	8	91	643	163	806	..	..	43,472	38,208
1st Quarter, 1922	**2**	**2**	**11**	**125**	**136**	**638**	**..**	**638**	**514**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**2**	**2**	**21**	**3**	**24**	**402**	**..**	**402**	**235**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**3**	**86**	**603**	**25**	**628**	**5,630**	**165**	**5,795**	**6,744**
4th Quarter, 1922	**1**	**1**	**8**	**10**	**18**	**210**	**36,421**	**36,637**	**30,715**
TASMANIA.									
Year 1918 ..	1	1	42	..	42	..	..	462	250
„ 1919 ..	5	127	1,098	588	1,686	..	..	63,271	32,738
„ 1920 ..	12	14	1,610	146	1,756	..	..	54,283	32,160
„ 1921 ..	5	5	75	150	225	..	..	1,483	986
„ 1922 ..	5	5	382	4	386	..	..	9,284	7,497
1st Quarter, 1922	**1**	**1**	**74**	**..**	**74**	**888**	**..**	**888**	**700**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**3**	**3**	**173**	**4**	**177**	**2,182**	**..**	**2,182**	**1,753**
4th Quarter, 1922	**1**	**1**	**135**	**..**	**135**	**2,820**	**3,394**	**6,214**	**5,044**
NORTHERN TERRITORY.									
Year 1918 ..	3	4	112	10	122	..	..	428	395
„ 1919 ..	5	9	46	21	67	..	..	1,910	1,436
„ 1920 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1921 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1922 ..	2	2	40	..	40	..	..	1,040	770
1st Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**2**	**2**	**40**	**..**	**40**	**350**	**..**	**350**	**287**
4th Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**690**	**690**	**483**
FEDERAL TERRITORY.									
Year 1918 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1919 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1920 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1921 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
„ 1922 ..	2	2	217	..	217	..	..	2,604	2,035
1st Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**1**	**1**	**200**	**..**	**200**	**2,400**	**..**	**2,400**	**1,870**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**	**..**
4th Quarter, 1922	**1**	**1**	**17**	**..**	**17**	**204**	**..**	**204**	**165**
TOTAL.									
Year 1918 ..	298	1,154	42,553	13,886	56,439	..	..	580,853	372,334
„ 1919 ..	460	1,713	100,300	57,291	157,591	..	..	6,308,226	3,951,936
„ 1920 ..	554	2,104	102,319	53,047	155,566	..	..	1,872,065	1,223,716
„ 1921 ..	624	888	120,198	44,903	165,101	..	..	956,617	757,028
„ 1922 ..	445	1,447	100,263	16,069	116,332	..	..	858,685	751,507
1st Quarter, 1922	**120**	**209**	**24,613**	**4,937**	**29,550**	**142,544**	**2,858**	**145,402**	**140,564**
2nd Quarter, 1922	**99**	**174**	**19,647**	**2,593**	**22,240**	**75,316**	**37,593**	**113,439**	**110,056**
3rd Quarter, 1922	**102**	**430**	**25,335**	**4,355**	**29,690**	**213,495**	**45,728**	**259,223**	**207,194**
4th Quarter, 1922	**121**	**631**	**33,544**	**4,184**	**34,728**	**250,067**	**90,554**	**340,261**	**293,693**

* Total estimated loss during the respective periods for all disputes.

NOTE.—The annual figures show all losses caused by disputes which commenced during the year. The quarterly figures show losses which occurred during the quarter.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—Number and Effect, 1918 to 1922.

Particulars.		N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'land.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	F.T.	All States.*	Total.
Changes.	Year 1918 ..	229	201	236	113	63	46	4	..	4	896
	„ 1919 ..	457	218	216	136	112	128	13	..	4	1 284
	„ 1920 ..	734	354	300	231	209	154	7	..	10	1,999
	„ 1921 ..	353	247	233	166	108	77	..	..	16	1,200
	„ 1922 ..	444	137	132	131	60	64	..	1	3	972
Persons Affected.	Year 1918 ..	146,399	110,027	74,174	16,239	9,871	3,631	624	..	616	361,581
	„ 1919 ..	280,031	125,693	116,627	35,377	26,673	16,108	1,287	..	2,095	603,891
	„ 1920 ..	454,610	258,211	145,464	76,605	55,489	28,317	703	..	7,887	1,027,286
	„ 1921 ..	272,782	238,084	115,722	44,696	22,695	14,783	..	..	23,503	732,265
	„ 1922 ..	363,909	90,172	78,791	35,722	18,547	16,038	..	337	24,600	628,116
Net Increase per week.	Year 1918 ..	£32,194	£25,514	£19,699	£3,885	£2,133	£1,323	£273	..	£239	£85,260
	„ 1919 ..	£137,642	£43,930	£43,718	£11,989	£10,249	£7,350	£618	..	£949	£256,445
	„ 1920 ..	£228,186	£119,706	£69,748	£30,316	£25,195	£14,593	£684	..	£6,280	£494,708
	„ 1921 ..	£38,371	£77,425	£30,790	£13,409	£11,395	£6,370	..	..	£7,898	£185,658
	„ 1922† ..	£42,930	£6,625	£14,836	£2,687	£1,589	£1,701	..	£56	£138	£70,562
Average Increase per head per week.	Year 1918 ..	4s. 5d.	4s. 8d.	5s. 4d.	4s. 9d.	4s. 4d.	7s. 3d.	8s. 9d.	..	7s. 9d.	4s. 9d.
	„ 1919 ..	9s. 10d.	7s. 0d.	7s. 6d.	6s. 9d.	7s. 8d.	9s. 2d.	9s. 7d.	..	9s. 1d.	8s. 6d.
	„ 1920 ..	10s. 0d.	9s. 3d.	9s. 7d.	7s. 11d.	9s. 1d.	10s. 4d.	19s. 6d.	..	15s.11d.	9s. 8d.
	„ 1921 ..	2s. 10d.	6s. 6d.	5s. 4d.	6s. 0d.	10s. 1d.	8s. 7d.	..	..	6s. 9d.	5s. 1d.
	„ 1922† ..	2s. 4d.	1s. 6d.	3s. 9d.	1s. 6d.	1s. 9d.	2s. 1d.	..	3s. 4d.	0s. 1d.	2s. 3d.

* Changes recorded in this column are common to all States, as the particulars relating to the number of workpeople affected and the net amount of increase per week *in each State* were not ascertainable. † Decrease throughout.

CHANGES IN RATES OF WAGE.—Number and Effect, 3rd and 4th Quarters, 1922.

State.	Increases.			Decreases.			Total Result of all Changes.			Average Amount of Decrease per head per week.
	Changes.	Workpeople affected.	Increase per Week.	Changes.	Workpeople affected.	Decrease per Week.	Changes.	Workpeople affected.	Net Decrease per Week.	
				3RD QUARTER, 1922.						
			£			£			£	s. d.
N.S.W.	24	55,156	6,070	219	176,627	33,533	243	231,783	27,463	2 4
Vic. ..	21	11,318	1,644	19	14,330	2,427	40	25,648	783	0 7
Q'land	12	638	245	17	4,015	1,230	29	4,653	985	4 3
S.A. ..	17	2,671	436	21	6,651	703	38	9,322	267	0 7
W.A. ..	13	1,947	491	6	3,870	1,085	19	5,817	594	2 1
Tas. ..	10	1,861	141	5	407	68	15	2,268	73†	0 8†
All States*	1	8,200	205	..	..	..	1	8,200	205†	0 6†
Total	98	81,791	9,232	287	205,900	39,046	385	287,691	29,814	2 1
				4TH QUARTER, 1922.						
			£			£			£	s. d.
N.S.W.	21	12,917	1,411	46	31,861	5,510	67	44,778	4,099	1 10
Vic. ..	30	15,349	1,751	5	5,820	449	35	21,169	1,302†	1 3†
Q'land	2	193	87	12	20,072	3,715	14	20.265	3,628	3 7
S A. ..	21	5,083	1,078	31	10,101	1,795	52	15,184	717	0 11
W.A ..	8	680	220	3	1,013	144	11	1.693	76†	0 11†
Tas. ..	6	447	59	7	4,092	792	13	4,539	733	3 3
All States*	1	8,200	547	..	..	..	1	8,200	547†	1 4†
Fed. Cap. Territory	..	..	..	1	337	56	1	337	56	3 4
Total	89	42,869	5,153	105	73,296	12,461	194	116,165	7,308	1 3

* See footnote to preceding table. † Increase.

Changes in Rates of Wage according to Industrial Groups, Australia, 1918-1922.

Particulars	INDUSTRIAL GROUP.														
	I. Wood, Furniture, Timber, &c.	II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	III. Food, Drink, Tobacco, &c.	IV. Clothing, Hats, Boots, &c.	V. Books, Printing, &c.	VI. Other Manufacturing.	VII. Building.	VIII. Mines, Quarries, &c.	IX. Rail and Tram Services.	X. Other Land Transport.	XI. Shipping, &c.	XII. Pastoral, &c.	XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	XIV. Miscellaneous.	ALL GROUPS.*
1918.															
Number of Changes	61	42	93	26	24	78	30	25	38	25	38	6	23	270	779
Number of Persons affected ..	14,651	31,804	32,411	23,215	8,707	15,160	17,419	14,285	59,625	12,782	1,990	1,717	9,230	118,585	361,581
Amount of Increase per week £	4,343	10,565	9,025	5,252	1,804	3,944	5,420	2,988	10,320	2,185	719	350	2,167	26,178	85,260
1919.															
Number of Changes	39	89	156	31	41	138	42	29	74	37	59	11	49	373	1,168
Number of Persons affected ..	13,616	44,133	72,603	26,905	9,335	50,530	19,053	34,501	114,365	20,871	34,294	9,030	25,799	128,856	603,891
Amount of Increase per week £	4,890	20,381	23,551	11,308	4,449	17,829	8,941	17,434	56,872	8,701	18,168	5,739	7,620	50,562	256,445
1920.															
Number of Changes	68	123	241	56	83	245	82	61	82	52	76	19	55	481	1,724
Number of Persons affected ..	44,732	74,853	81,876	55,345	19,757	71,671	61,552	47,865	136,854	28,532	16,842	26,580	34,285	326,542	1,027,286
Amount of Increase per week £	19,015	29,145	41,383	21,271	11,088	31,126	41,059	30,385	54,959	11,605	11,871	20,701	12,258	158,842	494,708
1921.															
Number of Changes	22	81	105	45	28	156	27	22	67	32	44	10	39	294	972
Number of Persons affected ..	11,915	58,632	55,555	89,542	12,116	55,766	24,717	6,324	127,860	24,885	37,904	1,815	17,904	207,332	732,265
Amount of Increase per week £	2,650	17,244	13,658	16,143	4,000	14,666	10,196	2,896	18,573	2,717	17,986	853	4,339	59,737	185,658
1922.															
Number of Changes	17	90	74	24	32	116	29	27	66	36	23	14	28	248	824
Number of Persons affected ..	14,824	68 844	34,987	13,793	13,533	64,285	48,603	17,716	86,161	12,603	28,432	56,202	15,663	152,380	628,116
Amount of Decrease per week £	2,028	14,399	5,805	1,412	1,722	6,784	8,069	2,330	15,311	2,075	559	4,136†	1,288	12,916	70,562

* In this Table an Industrial Award or Agreement under the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Act, an Order of the War Precautions Coal Board, the Arbitration (Public Service) Act, or the Industrial Peace Act, is counted as one change only, although such Award, Agreement, or Order may be operative in more than one State.——† Increase.

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Wages.—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable, and Weekly Hours of Labour, 30th December, 1922.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
I. Wood, Furniture, &c.	Weekly Wage	95/-	96/3	96/6	91/11	95/7	92/-	95/4
	Working Hours	44.53	46.23	44.11	45.64	47.87	45.50	45.54
	Hourly Wage	2/1½	2/1	2/2¼	2/0¼	2/-	2/0½	2/1
II. Engineering, Metal Works, &c.	Weekly Wage	93/1	95/6	94/5	91/6	93/9	94/8	93/10
	Working Hours	47.14	48.00	44.00	48.00	45.65	47.28	46.95
	Hourly Wage	1/11¾	1/11¾	2/1¾	1/10¾	2/0¾	2/-	2/-
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	91/5	92/9	92/10	90/2	90/9	89/-	91/10
	Working Hours	46.55	47.14	45.43	46.41	47.21	47.94	46.57
	Hourly Wage	1/11½	1/11½	2/0½	1/11¼	1/11	1/10¼	1/11¼
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	89/3	91/6	93/9	93/9	96/5	87/1	91/1
	Working Hours	44.00	45.85	44.00	44.00	44.36	46.29	44.83
	Hourly Wage	2/0¼	2/-	2/1½	2/1½	2/2	1/10½	2/0½
V. Books, Printing, &c.	Weekly Wage	102/1	104/7	99/2	99/4	110/10	98/8	102/9
	Working Hours	43.54	44.90	44.00	47.53	43.10	46.00	44.42
	Hourly Wage	2/4½	2/4	2/3	2/1	2/6¾	2/1¾	2/3¾
VI. Other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	92/9	91/3	91/-	90/9	93/8	91/4	91/11
	Working Hours	46.46	47.56	45.18	48.00	47.60	47.66	46.96
	Hourly Wage	2/-	1/11	2/0¼	1/10¾	1/11½	1/11	1/11½
VII. Building	Weekly Wage	101/8	100/5	104/5	93/6	99/6	96/11	100/5
	Working Hours	44.59	43.47	44.00	44.00	45.42	44.15	44.15
	Hourly Wage	2/3¼	2/3¾	2/4½	2/1½	2/2¼	2/2½	2/3¼
VIII. Mining†	Weekly Wage	104/2	101/4	111/5	71/5	108/2	92/9	103/8
	Working Hours	43.83	44.94	43.03	43.79	43.87	45.42	44.01
	Hourly Wage	2/4½	2/3	2/7	1/7½	2/5½	2/0½	2/4¼
IX. Rail and Tram Services	Weekly Wage	91/4	94/8	98/4	90/6	95/1	92/-	93/4
	Working Hours	46.62	47.49	47.89	48.50	48.15	48.00	47.38
	Hourly Wage	1/11½	2/-	2/0¾	1/10½	1/11¾	1/11	1/11¾
X. Other Land Transport	Weekly Wage	88/1	88/2	86/-	90/-	93/-	92/9	88/5
	Working Hours	48.14	48.56	48.33	48.00	48.00	48.00	48.26
	Hourly Wage	1/10	1/9¾	1/9¼	1/10½	1/11¼	1/11½	1/10
XI. Shipping, &c...	Weekly Wage‡	98 6	101/9	99/3	101/5	99/5	100/5	99/9
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XII. Pastoral, Agricultural, &c.	Weekly Wage§	84/5	80/3	88/7	80/4	84/6	86/-	83/11
	Working Hours	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	Hourly Wage	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage‖	83/7	81/5	82/-	84/3	83 8	66/4	82/4
	Working Hours	48.00	48.43	48.00	48.00	48.00	54.00	48.30
	Hourly Wage	1/9	1/8¼	1/8½	1/9	1/9	1/2¾	1/8½
XIV. Miscellaneous	Weekly Wage	88/2	90/8	89/9	86/6	86/-	84/-	88/8
	Working Hours	46.85	47.97	46.69	47.78	46.98	47.65	47.29
	Hourly Wage	1/10½	1/10¾	1/11	1/9¾	1/10	1/9¼	1/10½
All Groups	Weekly Wage	91/6	91/4	93/10	87/6	93/9	88/5	91/6
All Groups excepting XI. and XII.	Weekly Wage	93/-	93/5	95/6	88/8	95/4	88/11	93/1
	Working Hours	46.05	46·99	45·51	47·00	46·41	46·93	46·38
	Hourly Wage	2/0¼	1/11¾	2/1¼	1/10¾	2/0¾	1/10¾	2/-

* Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly wage, working hours, and hourly wage, respectively, † Average rates of wage and hours prevailing at the principal mining centres in each State. ‡ Average rates of wage are for occupations other than Masters, Officers, and Engineers in the Merchant Marine Service, and include value of victualling and accommodation, where provided, at 81s. 11d. per month. § Including the estimated value of Board and Lodging, where supplied. ‖ Including the value of Board and Lodging, where supplied, as follows :—In Sydney, 10s. 2d. to 21s. 6d. (according to class of establishment) ; in Melbourne, 20s. and 23s. ; in Brisbane, 14s. and 16s. ; in Adelaide, 22s. (Restaurants) and 25s. (Hotels and Clubs) ; in Perth, 24s. 6d. ; and in Hobart, 25s. per week.

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly and Hourly Rates payable, and Weekly Hours of Labour, 31st December, 1922.

Industrial Groups.	Particulars.*	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
III. Food, Drink, &c.	Weekly Wage	42/7	44/9	41/11	39/9	35/-	44/6	43/3
	Working Hours	46.30	48.00	46.17	48.00	44.00	48.00	47.14
	Hourly Wage	-/11	-/11¼	-/11	-/10	-/9½	-/11¼	-/11
IV. Clothing, Boots, &c.	Weekly Wage	49/-	47/-	47/3	47/11	51/9	45/3	47/10
	Working Hours	44.14	45.29	44.00	44.00	44.00	45.11	44.64
	Hourly Wage	1/1¼	1/0½	1/1	1/1	1/2	1/-	1/0¾
I., II., V., & VI. All other Manufacturing	Weekly Wage	45/7	49/3	44/7	45/9	..	45/-	47/4
	Working Hours	45.74	47.17	44.07	47.50	..	48.00	46.46
	Hourly Wage	1/-	1/0½	1/0¼	-/11½	..	-/11¼	1/0¼
XIII. Domestic, Hotels, &c.	Weekly Wage†	45/8	48/1	46/8	45/1	61/8	53/11	48/3
	Working Hours	47.08	47.69	47.33	48.00	48.00	54.00	47.64
	Hourly Wage	-/11¾	1/-	-/11¾	-/11¼	1/3½	1/-	1/0¼
XIV. Shop Assistants, Clerks, &c.	Weekly Wage	48/7	50/11	53/-	36/6	..	..	48/9
	Working Hours	45.71	46.50	47.00	48.00	..	..	46.40
	Hourly Wage	1/0¾	1/1¼	1/1½	-/9¼	..	..	1/0½
All Groups	Weekly Wage	47/8	48/-	48/2	44/-	56/4	47/7	47/11
	Working Hours	45.33	46.14	45.60	46.10	45.97	47.86	45.82
	Hourly Wage	1/0½	1/0½	1/0¾	-/11½	1/2¾	1/-	1/0½

* Particulars relate to the *Average Weighted* weekly rates of wage, working hours, and hourly wage respectively. † The value of board and lodging—estimated at 10s. 2d. to 21s. 6d. per week (according to class of establishment) in Sydney; 20s. and 23s. in Melbourne; 14s. and 16s. in Brisbane; 25s. (Hotels and Clubs) and 22s. (Restaurants) in Adelaide; 24s. 6d. in Perth; and 25s. in Tasmania—is included, where provided, in order that the rate may be comparable with those paid in other industries.

Wages—Adult Males—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 31st December, 1922.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia in 1911 (51s. 3d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
	RATES OF WAGE.						
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
30th June, 1914	55 11	54 4	52 10	54 4	62 9	52 7	55 3
31st December, 1914	56 2	54 7	53 5	54 5	62 10	52 8	55 7
30th June, 1921	95 3	92 0	96 5	85 8	93 6	88 3	93 3
31st December, 1921	95 10	93 7	96 8	89 5	95 0	91 8	94 6
31st March, 1922	95 7	93 2	94 9	89 5	94 9	90 9	94 0
30th June, 1922	93 8	91 5	94 0	87 5	93 6	88 7	92 4
30th September, 1922	91 10	91 0	93 10	87 6	93 9	88 8	91 6
31st December, 1922	91 6	91 4	93 10	87 6	93 9	88 5	91 6
	INDEX-NUMBERS.						
30th June, 1914	1,091	1,059	1,030	1,060	1,225	1,026	1,079
31st December, 1914	1,096	1,065	1,042	1,062	1,226	1,028	1,085
30th June, 1921	1,858	1,796	1,881	1,672	1,824	1,722	1,820
31st December, 1921	1,869	1,826	1,886	1,745	1,853	1,788	1,844
31st March, 1922	1,865	1,818	1,848	1,744	1,849	1,771	1,834
30th June, 1922	1,828	1,784	1,835	1,706	1,824	1,728	1,801
30th September, 1922	1,792	1,777	1,831	1,707	1,831	1,730	1,786
31st December, 1922	1,785	1,783	1,830	1,708	1,829	1,726	1,785

Wages—Adult Females—Weighted Average Nominal Weekly Rates payable for a Full Week's Work, and Wage Index-numbers, 30th June, 1914, to 31st December, 1922.

NOTE.—Index-numbers based on the average wage for Australia at 30th April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) as base (= 1,000). The index-numbers in this table are comparable throughout.

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
	RATES OF WAGE.						
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
30th June, 1914	26 9	27 4	27 0	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 2
31st December, 1914	26 10	27 9	27 1	24 1	37 4	25 10	27 5
30th June, 1921	48 6	46 2	49 10	43 7	54 11	46 9	47 7
31st December, 1921	49 0	47 10	50 3	45 2	56 4	47 6	48 8
31st March, 1922	48 4	47 10	48 2	44 6	56 4	47 6	48 2
30th June, 1922	48 4	47 10	48 2	44 6	56 4	47 6	48 1
30th September, 1922	48 2	47 8	48 2	44 6	56 4	47 6	48 0
31st December, 1922	47 8	48 0	48 2	44 0	56 4	47 7	47 11

WAGES—ADULT FEMALES—WEIGHTED AVERAGE NOMINAL WEEKLY RATES, ETC.—*continued.*

Dates.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A	W.A.	Tas.	Australia.
			INDEX-NUMBERS.				
30th June, 1914	984	1,006	993	885	1,373	950	1,000
31st December, 1914	987	1,022	996	885	1,373	950	1,008
30th June, 1921	1,785	1,700	1,835	1,605	2,022	1,721	1,751
31st December, 1921	1,803	1,761	1,849	1,661	2,074	1,749	1,790
31st March, 1922	1,780	1,762	1,772	1,639	2,073	1,749	1,771
30th June, 1922	1,778	1,760	1,771	1,639	2,073	1,749	1,770
30th September, 1922	1,773	1,756	1,771	1,639	2,073	1,749	1,766
31st December, 1922	1,754	1,767	1 771	1,620	2,075	1,751	1,763

Boards Authorized and Constituted, Awards, Determinations, and Agreements in Force, 31st December, 1922.¶

Particulars.	Commonwealth. Court.	Commonwealth. Pub. Ser. Arb.	N.S.W.	Vic.	Q'ld.	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Total.
1. *Boards Authorized and Constituted—*									
Number of Boards authorized	..	..	*272	174	..	‡76	..	‖47	569
Number of Boards constituted	..	..	*272	172	..	‡76	..	‖41	561
2. *Boards Constituted which have made Awards or Determinations—*									
Number of Boards which had made or varied awards or determinations	..	..	*256	161	..	‡66	..	‖25	508
Number of Boards which had not made any award or determination	..	..	*16	11	..	‡10	..	‖16	53
3. *Number of Awards and Determinations in Force*† ..	§87	27	331	166	208	81	77	48	1,025
4. *Scope of State Awards and Determinations—*									
Number applying to the whole State	..	..	46	42	63	9	4	41	205
Number applying to the Metropolitan area only ..	..	..	85	1	47	53	50	..	236
Number applying to the Metropolitan and Country towns	..	..	134	113	41	2	..	5	295
Number applying to the Country areas	..	..	66	10	57	17	23	2	175
5. *Number of Commonwealth Court Awards in Force in each State*	..	..	49	60	26	57	34	40	..
6. *Number of Determinations of the Public Service Arbitrator in Force in each State* ..	..	..	26	23	23	24	24	22	..
7. *Industrial Agreements in Force*	543	..	105	..	47	42	66	4	807
8. *Number of Commonwealth Agreements in Force in each State*	..	..	96	335	33	66	48	28	..
9. *Number of Persons working under State Awards, Determinations, and Industrial Agreements (estimated)* ..	..	..	275,000	171,000	100,000	27,000	35,000	15,000	623,000

* Excluding Special Demarcation Boards. In pursuance of section 14 of the *Industrial Arbitration Act* 1912, as amended, the Court of Industrial Arbitration has been exercising the functions of Industrial Boards. † Including awards made by Industrial Courts. ‡ Wages Boards appointed under the Factories Acts 1907 to 1915, with the exception of those which had any matter part heard, were dissolved by the Industrial Code, 1920, on the 9th December, 1920. The particulars shewn relate to Industrial Boards appointed under the new Act. ‖ All Wages Boards constituted under the repealed Act (the *Wages Boards Act* 1910, as amended) were abolished on the 19th January, 1921, by the present Act (the *Wages Boards Act* 1920). The particulars shewn relate to Wages Boards appointed under the Act of 1920. § Excluding awards made by the Commonwealth Court of Conciliation and Arbitration under the *Arbitration (Public Service) Act* 1911 which for the purposes of the *Arbitration (Public Service) Act* 1920 are deemed to be determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator. ¶ Commonwealth Court, 30th September, 1922. Later information not yet available.

Section VIII.—Retail Price Index-Numbers—Food, Groceries, Housing, etc.

Retail Price Index-Numbers,*—Capital Cities, 1901 to 1922.†

CITY.	1901.	1907.	1911.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.	1918.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.
GROUPS I., II., AND III. COMBINED.—GROCERIES AND FOOD.													
Sydney	917	936	989	1,131	1,156	1,396	1,520	1,540	1,549	1,783	2,148	1,898	1,703
Melbourne ..	965	925	935	1,024	1,091	1,411	1,462	1,412	1,466	1,620	2,056	1,901	1,644
Brisbane	965	947	1,018	1,042	1,078	1,373	1,426	1,405	1,495	1,762	2,052	1,812	1,608
Adelaide	1,028	951	1,020	1,119	1,215	1,487	1,532	1,445	1,554	1,719	2,132	1,906	1,723
Perth	1,184	1,197	1,346	1,267	1,302	1,483	1,542	1,505	1,486	1,772	2,050	1,995	1,776
Hobart	1,011	1,010	1,058	1,164	1,212	1,445	1,523	1,544	1,635	1,748	2,162	2,025	1,794
Weighted Average*..	972	955	1,000	1,095	1,144	1,416	1,495	1,472	1,514	1,716	2,101	1,902	1,684
GROUP IV.—HOUSE RENT.													
Sydney	858	911	1,090	1,246	1,279	1,220	1,212	1,216	1,252	1,289	1,415	1,474	1,535
Melbourne ..	733	804	970	1,089	1,126	1,085	1,089	1,124	1,180	1,283	1,405	1,502	1,597
Brisbane	488	575	767	863	882	859	847	859	905	983	1,061	1,079	1,206
Adelaide	629	812	1,112	1,125	1,040	932	930	959	1,022	1,108	1,216	1,289	1,360
Perth	801	684	810	928	914	848	869	874	885	916	996	1,055	1,092
Hobart	667	708	805	887	914	928	928	951	956	1,134	1,373	1,440	1,445
Weighted Average*..	751	816	1,000	1,118	1,135	1,081	1,081	1,098	1,143	1,215	1,333	1,404	1,480
ALL GROUPS COMBINED.—GROCERIES, FOOD, AND HOUSE RENT.													
Sydney	893	926	1,031	1,178	1,206	1,323	1,394	1,407	1,427	1,580	1,847	1,724	1,634
Melbourne ..	870	875	950	1,051	1,105	1,277	1,309	1,294	1,349	1,481	1,788	1,737	1,625
Brisbane	769	794	915	969	997	1,162	1,188	1,181	1,252	1,442	1,645	1,511	1,442
Adelaide	864	894	1,058	1,121	1,143	1,259	1,285	1,245	1,335	1,468	1,756	1,652	1,574
Perth	1,027	986	1,126	1,128	1,143	1,222	1,266	1,246	1,239	1,420	1,617	1,609	1,495
Hobart	869	886	954	1,053	1,090	1,233	1,278	1,301	1,356	1,496	1,837	1,785	1,651
Weighted Average*..	880	897	1,000	1,104	1,140	1,278	1,324	1,318	1,362	1,510	1,785	1,697	1,600

* As the Price Index-Number increases the purchasing-power of money diminishes.
† Index-Numbers for intervening years not given may be found in Labour Report No. 6, p. 26.

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PREDOMINANT WEEKLY RENTALS—CAPITAL CITIES 1st QUARTER, 1921, TO 1st QUARTER, 1923, INCLUSIVE.

CITY.	1921.				1922.				1923.
	1st Quarter (Jan. to March).	2nd Quarter (April to June).	3rd Quarter (July to Sept.).	4th Quarter (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Quarter (Jan. to March).	2nd Quarter (April to June).	3rd Quarter (July to Sept.).	4th Quarter (Oct. to Dec).	1st Quarter (Jan. to March.)
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
Sydney ..	22 10	22 10	23 1	23 3	23 7	23 11	24 1	24 2	24 9
Melbourne ..	22 10	23 0	23 9	24 2	24 3	24 11	25 1	25 6	25 7
Brisbane ..	16 10	16 9	16 10	16 11	18 2	18 10	19 1	19 3	19 6
Adelaide ..	20 0	20 1	20 1	20 4	20 11	21 1	21 3	21 8	22 3
Perth ..	16 3	16 3	16 8	16 9	16 10	17 1	17 1	17 2	17 6
Hobart ..	22 5	22 8	22 6	22 4	22 1	22 7	22 8	22 10	23 9

NOTE.—The Rentals are shewn to the nearest penny.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing) for each of Thirty Towns, 1912, 1914, 1919 to 1923 (1st Quarter), with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base (=1,000).‡**

Particulars.	1912.	1914.	1919.	1920.	1921.	1922.			1923.
	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	Whole Year.	1st Qtr. (Jan. to March.)	4th Qtr. (Oct. to Dec.).	1st Qtr. (Jan. to March).
NEW SOUTH WALES—									
Sydney	1,148	1,206	1,580	1,847	1,724	1,634	1,589	1,661	1,658
Newcastle ..	955	994	1,493	1,766	1,669	1,545	1,508	1,569	1,571
Broken Hill§ ..	1,080	1,068	1,419	1,712	1,554	1,346	1,305	1,361	1,391
Goulburn ..	1,042	1,130	1,524	1,836	1,694	1,571	1,551	1,592	1,641
Bathurst ..	919	987	1,340	1,615	1,493	1,352	1,337	1,358	1,378
*Weighted Average	1,125	1,179	1,562	1,831	1,709	1,610	1,567	1,636	1,641
VICTORIA —									
Melbourne ..	1,055	1,105	1,481	1,788	1,737	1,625	1,567	1,643	1,638
Ballarat ..	914	904	1,198	1,558	1,502	1,376	1,337	1,380	1,403
Bendigo ..	926	922	1,215	1,535	1,492	1,384	1,334	1,416	1,409
Geelong ..	996	1,012	1,347	1,623	1,612	1,474	1,431	1,494	1,500
Warrnambool ..	935	959	1,311	1,640	1,604	1,433	1,391	1,437	1,450
*Weighted Average	1,033	1,073	1,436	1,747	1,698	1,583	1,528	1,601	1,614
QUEENSLAND—									
Brisbane ..	979	997	1,442	1,645	1,511	1,442	1,428	1,454	1,464
Toowoomba ..	977	950	1,402	1,576	1,432	1,317	1,300	1,351	1,405
Rockhampton ..	962	988	1,408	1,557	1,424	1,313	1,307	1,322	1,332
Charters Towers ..	1,008	988	1,454	1,557	1,423	1,312	1,322	1,323	1,335
Warwick ..	1,004	912	1,398	1,568	1,468	1,322	1,320	1,320	1,373
*Weighted Average	981	988	1,434	1,619	1,486	1,403	1,391	1,416	1,441
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—									
Adelaide ..	1,157	1,143	1,468	1,756	1,653	1,574	1,534	1,565	1,590
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo ..	917	960	1,330	1,571	1,476	1,358	1,337	1,342	1,378
Port Pirie§ ..	1,004	1,055	1,424	1,630	1,525	1,401	1,401	1,370	1,381
Mount Gambier ..	874	923	1,222	1,468	1,418	1,270	1,245	1,267	1,271
Peterborough ..	1,014	1,126	1,369	1,607	1,536	1,418	1,414	1,394	1,416
*Weighted Average	1,126	1,122	1,449	1,728	1,628	1,543	1,507	1,532	1,571
WEST AUSTRALIA—									
Perth, &c. ..	1,154	1,143	1,420	1,617	1,609	1,495	1,467	1,468	1,483
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,334	1,291	1,545	1,706	1,647	1,515	1,488	1,493	1,507
Northam ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,433
Bunbury ..	1,104	1,111	1,309	1,465	1,487	1,432	1,407	1,421	1,398
Geraldton ..	1,255	1,315	1,425	1,621	1,596	1,465	1,433	1,456	1,482
*Weighted Average	1,191	1,175	1,438	1,627	1,611	1,496	1,469	1,470	1,483
TASMANIA—									
Hobart	1,042	1,090	1,496	1,837	1,785	1,651	1,637	1,636	1,670
Launceston ..	999	1,014	1,409	1,692	1,612	1,539	1,496	1,577	1,578
Burnie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,545
Devonport ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,576
Queenstown ..	988	1,021	1,357	1,521	1,468	1,341	1,326	1,347	1,332
*Weighted Average	1,012	1,041	1,431	1,734	1,671	1,557	1,535	1,561	1,623
†Weighted Average for 30 Towns ..	**1,080**	**1,113**	**1,481**	**1,753**	**1,668**	**1,564**	**1,522**	**1,578**	**1,593**
Weighted Average 6 Capital Cities ..	1,101	1,140	1,510	1,785	1,697	1,600	1,556	1,614	1,614
¶Townsville (Q.) ..	..	..	1,713	1,864	1,765	1,661	1,677	1,645	1,697

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns. ‡ *See* remarks on page 336 Labour Report No. 7, with reference to change of base period. § *See* remarks on page 367, Labour Report No. 7 paragraph (iv.) *re* house rent. ¶ Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.
** As the Price index-number increases, the purchasing-power of money diminishes.

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, and Housing) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in 1911 as Base (=1,000).

State and Town.	1922.			1923.	Index Numbers for Twelve Months ending—	
	Second Quarter (April to June).	Third Quarter (July to September).	Fourth Quarter (October to December)	First Quarter (January to March).	31st December, 1922.	31st March, 1923.
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney	1,616	1,669	1,661	1,658	1,634	1,651
Newcastle	1,529	1,575	1,569	1,571	1,545	1,561
Broken Hill	1,356	1,362	1,361	1,391	1,346	1,368
Goulburn	1,563	1,577	1,592	1,641	1,571	1,593
Bathurst	1,345	1,366	1,358	1,378	1,352	1,362
Weighted Average, New South Wales	1,594	1,643	1,636	1,641	1,610	1,629
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne	1,627	1,661	1,643	1,638	1,625	1,642
Ballarat	1,371	1,416	1,380	1,403	1,376	1,393
Bendigo	1,374	1,410	1,416	1,409	1,384	1,402
Geelong	1,475	1,494	1,494	1,500	1,474	1,491
Warrnambool	1,437	1,468	1,437	1,450	1,433	1,448
Weighted Average, Victoria	1,584	1,618	1,601	1,614	1,583	1,604
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane	1,435	1,452	1,454	1,464	1,442	1,451
Toowoomba	1,287	1,328	1,351	1,405	1,317	1,343
Rockhampton	1,298	1,325	1,322	1,332	1,313	1,319
Charters Towers ..	1,295	1,308	1,323	1,335	1,312	1,315
Warwick	1,312	1,336	1,320	1,373	1,322	1,335
Weighted Average, Queensland	1,391	1,412	1,416	1,441	1,403	1,415
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide	1,602	1,594	1,565	1,590	1,574	1,588
Kadina, &c.	1,381	1,372	1,342	1,378	1,358	1,368
Port Pirie	1,432	1,401	1,370	1,381	1,401	1,396
Mount Gambier ..	1,284	1,282	1,267	1,271	1,270	1,276
Peterborough	1,437	1,427	1,394	1,416	1,418	1,419
Weighted Average, South Australia	1,570	1,561	1,532	1,571	1,543	1,559
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, &c.	1,526	1,517	1,468	1,483	1,495	1,499
Kalgoorlie, &c.	1,536	1,541	1,493	1,507	1,515	1,519
Northam	..	..	..	1,433	..	..
Bunbury	1,450	1,451	1,421	1,398	1,432	1,430
Geraldton	1,487	1,482	1,456	1,482	1,465	1,477
Weighted Average, Western Australia	1,525	1,520	1,470	1,483	1,496	1,500
TASMANIA—						
Hobart	1,667	1,662	1,636	1,670	1,651	1,659
Launceston	1,526	1,557	1,577	1,578	1,539	1,560
Burnie	..	..	..	1,545	..	..
Devonport	..	..	..	1,576	..	..
Queenstown	1,344	1,345	1,347	1,332	1,341	1,342
Weighted Average, Tasmania	1,563	1,570	1,561	1,623	1,557	1,579
Weighted Average, Australia	1,562	1,592	1,578	1,593	1,564	1,581
Weighted Average, 6 Capital Cities	1,599	1,630	1,614	1,614	1,600	1,614

Retail Price Index-Numbers (Food, Groceries, Housing, Clothing, and Miscellaneous Expenditure) for each of Thirty Towns for the periods specified, with Weighted Average for the Six Capital Cities in November, 1914 as Base (= 1,000).

State and Town.	November, 1914.	November, 1920.	November, 1921.	May, 1922.	August, 1922.	November, 1922.
NEW SOUTH WALES—						
Sydney	1,037	1,681	1,477	1,438	1,454	1,440
Newcastle	..	..	1,461	1,388	1,390	1,366
Broken Hill	..	..	1,348	1,310	1,304	1,290
Goulburn	..	..	1,469	1,441	1,423	1,405
Bathurst	..	..	1,342	1,288	1,275	1,261
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,469	1,427	1,439	1,425
VICTORIA—						
Melbourne	986	1,704	1,475	1,435	1,427	1,417
Ballarat	..	..	1,435	1,381	1,391	1,365
Bendigo	..	..	1,444	1,375	1,372	1,344
Geelong	..	..	1,471	1,453	1,430	1,424
Warrnambool	..	..	1,486	1,391	1,365	1,323
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,470	1,428	1,421	1,408
QUEENSLAND—						
Brisbane	898	1,511	1,330	1,270	1,281	1,275
Toowoomba	..	..	1,380	1,283	1,245	1,229
Rockhampton	..	..	1,393	1,334	1,286	1,278
Charters Towers ..	..	..	1,434	1,299	1,276	1,213
Warwick	..	..	1,428	1,315	1,325	1,294
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,353	1,281	1,279	1,266
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—						
Adelaide	997	1,657	1,411	1,427	1,398	1,370
Moonta, &c.	..	..	1,408	1,332	1,293	1,254
Port Pirie	..	..	1,438	1,369	1,345	1,305
Mount Gambier ..	..	..	1,448	1,331	1,305	1,278
Peterborough	..	..	1,352	1,290	1,258	1,228
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,413	1,414	1,385	1,356
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—						
Perth, &c.	1,001	1,552	1,409	1,380	1,343	1,301
Kalgoorlie, &c... ..	..	..	1,470	1,391	1,379	1,343
Midland Junction, &c. ..	..	..	1,442	1,429	1,413	1,346
Bunbury	..	..	1,417	1,364	1,366	1,332
Geraldton	..	..	1,459	1,392	1,353	1,318
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,424	1,385	1,355	1,313
TASMANIA—						
Hobart	997	1,724	1,536	1,515	1,499	1,452
Launceston	..	..	1,535	1,460	1,437	1,431
Zeehan	..	..	1,391	1,313	1,302	1,272
Beaconsfield	..	..	1,259	1,161	1,132	1,119
Queenstown	..	..	1,423	1,360	1,326	1,301
*Weighted Average ..	..	..	1,511	1,464	1,445	1,414
Weighted Average for 30 Towns	..	..	1,451	1,410	1,406	1,388
Weighted Average for 6 Capital Cities	1,000†	1,665	1,454	1,420	1,418	1,402

* Weighted average for five towns. † Basis of table.

RETAIL PRICES : Amount necessary on the Average in each Year from 1901 to 1923 (1st Quarter) to purchase in each Capital City what would have cost on the Average £1 in 1911 in the Australian Capitals regarded as a whole.

Year.	Sydney.	Melbourne.	Brisbane.	Adelaide.	Perth.	Hobart.	Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities.
FOOD AND GROCERIES (46 COMMODITIES).							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1901	18 4	19 4	19 4	20 7	23 8	20 3	19 4
1907	18 9	18 6	18 11	19 0	23 11	20 2	19 1
1911	19 9	18 8	20 4	20 5	26 11	21 2	20 0
1918	31 0	29 4	29 11	31 1	29 9	32 8	30 3
1919	35 8	32 5	35 3	34 5	35 5	35 0	34 4
1920	43 0	41 1	41 1	42 8	41 0	43 3	42 0
1921	38 0	38 0	36 3	38 1	40 0	40 6	38 0
1922	34 1	32 11	32 2	34 6	35 6	35 11	33 8
1922—1st Quarter..	32 10	31 6	32 3	33 5	34 9	35 10	32 7
2nd „ ..	33 6	33 0	31 11	35 7	36 7	36 5	33 8
3rd „ ..	35 1	34 0	32 3	35 1	36 3	36 2	34 7
4th „ ..	34 9	33 0	32 2	33 10	34 6	35 1	33 10
1923—1st „ ..	34 2	32 9	32 4	34 1	34 9	35 6	33 7
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION (WEIGHTED AVERAGE—ALL HOUSES).							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1901	17 3	14 8	9 9	12 7	16 0	13 4	15 1
1907	18 4	16 1	11 6	16 3	13 8	14 2	16 4
1911	21 10	19 5	15 4	22 3	16 3	16 1	20 0
1918	25 0	23 7	18 1	20 5	17 8	19 1	22 10
1919	25 9	25 8	19 8	22 2	18 4	22 8	24 4
1920	28 4	28 1	21 3	24 4	19 11	27 5	26 8
1921	29 6	30 0	21 7	25 9	21 0	28 10	28 1
1922	30 8	31 11	24 1	27 2	21 10	28 11	29 7
1922—1st Quarter..	30 3	31 1	23 4	26 10	21 7	28 4	29 0
2nd „ ..	30 8	31 11	24 1	27 0	21 10	29 0	29 7
3rd „ ..	30 11	32 2	24 5	27 3	21 10	29 0	29 9
4th „ ..	31 0	32 8	24 7	27 9	22 0	29 3	30 1
1923—1st „ ..	31 8	32 9	24 11	28 6	22 5	30 5	30 4
FOOD, GROCERIES AND HOUSING COMBINED.							
	s. d.	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*	*s. d.*
1901	17 10	17 5	15 5	17 3	20 6	17 5	17 7
1907	18 6	17 6	15 11	17 11	19 9	17 9	17 11
1911	20 7	19 0	18 4	21 2	22 6	19 1	20 0
1918	28 6	27 0	25 1	26 8	24 9	27 1	27 3
1919	31 7	29 7	28 10	29 4	28 5	29 11	30 2
1920	36 11	35 9	32 11	35 1	32 4	36 9	35 8
1921	34 6	34 10	30 3	33 1	32 2	35 8	33 11
1922	32 8	32 6	28 10	31 6	29 11	33 0	32 0
1922—1st Quarter..	31 9	31 4	28 7	30 8	29 4	32 9	31 1
2nd „ ..	32 4	32 7	28 8	32 1	30 6	33 4	32 0
3rd „ ..	33 4	33 2	29 1	31 11	30 4	33 3	32 7
4th „ ..	33 3	32 10	29 1	31 4	29 4	32 9	32 3
1923—1st „ ..	33 2	32 9	29 2	31 10	29 8	33 5	32 3

RETAIL PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS (FOOD AND GROCERIES), FOR EACH OF THIRTY TOWNS FOR THE MONTHS SPECIFIED, WITH WEIGHTED AVERAGE FOR THE SIX CAPITAL CITIES IN 1911 AS BASE (=1000).‡

Particulars.	1914.	1920.		1921.		1922.		1923.		Percentage increase from July, 1914, to Mar. 1923.
	July.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	Feb.	Mar.	
NEW SOUTH WALES—										%
Sydney	1,153	2,018	2,004	2,155	2,036	1,620	1,634	1,706	1,697	47.2
Newcastle	1,147	1,986	2,005	2,177	2,083	1,633	1,647	1,723	1,723	50.2
Broken Hill	1,468	2,087	2,150	2,497	2,486	1,698	1,728	1,852	1,852	26.2
Goulburn	1,183	1,940	1,951	2,183	2,106	1,669	1,636	1,724	1,747	47.7
Bathurst	1,097	1,846	1,883	2,145	2,026	1,595	1,574	1,630	1,665	51.8
*Weighted Average ..	1,165	2,015	2,008	2,171	2,059	1,625	1,638	1,710	1,704	46.3
VICTORIA—										
Melbourne	1,106	1,720	1,758	2,158	2,154	1,565	1,575	1,621	1,647	48.9
Ballarat	1,103	1,734	1,778	2,175	2,174	1,593	1,607	1,640	1,635	48.2
Bendigo	1,107	1,675	1,741	2,110	2,098	1,570	1,607	1,647	1,654	49.4
Geelong	1,089	1,706	1,760	2,171	2,177	1,582	1,599	1,622	1,632	49.9
Warrnambool	1,087	1,710	1,762	2,176	2,193	1,514	1,538	1,579	1,587	46.0
*Weighted Average ..	1,105	1,717	1,758	2,157	2,154	1,568	1,580	1,622	1,646	49.0
QUEENSLAND—										
Brisbane	1,057	2,036	1,922	1,963	1,956	1,600	1,588	1,608	1,608	52.1
Toowoomba	1,041	2,020	1,929	1,847	1,788	1,508	1,494	1,565	1,556	49.5
Rockhampton	1,156	2,057	1,970	1,980	1,967	1,605	1,595	1,641	1,631	41.1
Charters Towers ..	1,246	2,196	2,120	2,080	2,029	1,708	1,677	1,739	1,713	37.5
Warwick	1,083	1,950	1,934	1,979	1,956	1,568	1,552	1,606	1,597	47.5
*Weighted Average ..	1,082	2,047	1,944	1,964	1,947	1,599	1,586	1,612	1,609	48.7
SOUTH AUSTRALIA—										
Adelaide	1,250	1,881	1,907	2,137	2,137	1,669	1,697	1,697	1,704	36.3
Kadina, Moonta, Wallaroo	1,230	1,864	1,878	2,128	2,116	1,647	1,677	1,715	1,716	39.5
Port Pirie	1,291	1,817	1,867	2,177	2,166	1,732	1,739	1,690	1,691	31.0
Mount Gambier ..	1,064	1,659	1,723	2,049	2,057	1,584	1,604	1,622	1,636	53.8
Peterborough	1,340	1,885	1,892	2,117	2,104	1,747	1,742	1,748	1,756	31.0
*Weighted Average ..	1,247	1,870	1,897	2,135	2,134	1,670	1,696	1,697	1,703	36.6
WESTERN AUSTRALIA—										
Perth, &c.	1,340	1,896	1,994	2,153	2,171	1,740	1,760	1,727	1,752	30.7
Kalgoorlie and Boulder ..	1,664	2,137	2,206	2,357	2,360	1,936	1,963	2,024	2,025	21.7
Northam	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,867	1,860	..
Bunbury	1,418	1,836	1,922	2,106	2,142	1,839	1,861	1,743	1,750	23.4
Geraldton	1,445	1,894	1,956	2,116	2,152	1,776	1,801	1,876	1,883	30.3
*Weighted Average ..	1,412	1,943	2,033	2,193	2,209	1,787	1,809	1,765	1,786	26.5
TASMANIA—										
Hobart	1,211	1,913	1,940	2,220	2,177	1,796	1,791	1,760	1,762	45.5
Launceston	1,144	1,856	1,860	2,146	2,106	1,686	1,696	1,704	1,710	49.5
Burnie	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,715	1,729	..
Devonport	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,719	1,743	..
Queenstown	1,315	1,988	2,010	2,175	2,165	1,808	1,821	1,827	1,834	39.5
*Weighted Average ..	1,201	1,904	1,921	2,191	2,153	1,764	1,765	1,743	1,748	45.5
†Weighted Average, Australia	**1,164**	**1,892**	**1,903**	**2,145**	**2,103**	**1,624**	**1,636**	**1,677**	**1,684**	**44.7**
**Townsville (Queensland) ..	..	2,250	2,209	2,264	2,229	1,872	1,873	1,875	1,864	..

* Average for the five towns. † Average for thirty towns.

‡ See remarks on page 31 of Labour Report No. 6 with reference to change of base period.

** Not included in weighted average for Queensland or Australia.

NOTE.—Corresponding index-numbers for the intervening months are given in Labour Reports Nos. 6 to 12; in Labour Bulletins Nos. 17 and 18; and in the Quarterly Summaries of Statistics Nos. 70 to 90.

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF NEW SOUTH WALES ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Sydney.			Newcastle.			Broken Hill.			Goulburn.			Bathurst.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lbs.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour	25 ,,	51.39	51.45	51.45	52.93	54.21	52.07	58.71	58.29	57.00	50.80	50.80	50.60	52.00	51.00	49.00
Tea	lb.	23.00	23.90	23.90	24.00	24.29	24.57	27.29	27.57	27.71	27.20	27.20	27.60	24.38	24.38	24.38
Coffee	,,	25.40	25.80	25.40	27.14	27.14	27.14	30.00	30.00	30.00	28.40	28.20	28.20	25.50	25.50	25.50
Sugar	,,	5.00	5.00	4.85	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.42	5.42	5.42	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.44	5.41	5.40
Rice	,,	3.75	3.65	3.70	4.18	4.18	4.25	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.60	4.60	4.60	4.00	4.00	4.00
Sago	,,	4.00	4.20	4.40	4.14	4.14	4.36	5.50	5.50	5.57	4.90	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.75
Jam	,,	9.96	10.06	10.13	9.62	9.52	9.52	9.14	9.14	9.14	10.40	10.27	10.27	9.67	9.67	9.67
Oatmeal ..	,,	3.68	3.65	3.70	4.55	4.47	4.55	4.05	3.98	4.15	4.31	4.31	4.31	4.30	4.30	4.30
Raisins	,,	11.75	11.75	11.85	13.43	13.43	13.43	12.57	12.71	12.71	15.40	15.40	15.40	12.50	12.50	12.50
Currants ..	,,	11.15	11.15	11.15	11.43	11.43	10.64	9.64	9.64	9.64	12.60	12.60	12.20	10.88	10.88	10.50
Starch	,,	9.50	9.65	9.65	10.64	10.64	10.57	10.79	10.64	10.64	13.40	13.40	13.40	11.38	11.38	11.38
Blue	doz. sq.	16.20	16.20	16.20	16.93	16.93	16.93	13.86	13.86	13.29	18.00	18.00	17.80	15.50	16.88	16.88
Candles ..	lb.	11.35	11.60	11.55	11.29	11.57	11.86	11.71	11.86	12.00	12.60	12.20	12.60	11.63	11.63	11.63
Soap	,,	5.51	5.79	5.46	5.48	5.33	5.19	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.28	6.42	6.28	6.63	6.63	6.63
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	29.00	23.50	21.20	27.17	22.00	20.64	30.64	24.00	21.50	26.40	20.63	19.50	24.75	18.00	16.88
Onions	lb.	2.90	2.15	1.79	2.93	2.17	2.14	2.64	2.30	2.29	3.20	3.00	2.40	2.75	2.00	1.75
Kerosene ..	gal.	24.30	24.19	24.19	26.71	26.71	26.71	35.71	34.86	34.71	28.00	28.00	28.00	28.75	28.75	28.75
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.85	8.15	8.15	7.07	7.50	7.50	10.00	10.00	10.00	6.80	7.00	7.80	7.00	7.00	8.00
Butter	lb.	22.80	24.30	24.95	22.64	24.33	24.71	23.57	25.86	27.29	22.80	24.20	25.00	23.50	25.00	26.75
Cheese	,,	14.55	15.50	16.30	14.00	15.00	15.14	14.86	15.43	15.57	15.00	16.25	16.40	14.50	15.75	16.00
Eggs	doz.	23.55	25.25	27.75	20.29	26.67	28.14	17.14	18.43	20.43	17.20	22.75	26.20	13.50	19.25	24.00
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	19.75	19.30	18.90	17.43	17.00	17.00	17.57	17.57	17.57	20.60	20.25	19.80	19.00	19.00	19.00
,, Shoulder	,,	12.85	12.70	12.56	14.50	13.71	13.67	15.67	15.83	15.83	16.40	14.50	14.40	13.50	13.50	13.50
Ham	,,	24.25	24.38	23.75	22.33	21.43	21.33	18.43	18.57	18.57	22.20	20.50	19.60	22.50	22.50	22.50
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	8.65	8.55	8.60	8.50	8.43	8.50	6.86	7.29	7.29	7.25	7.50	7.50	7.00	7.00	6.80
,, Ribs ..	,,	6.30	6.25	6.30	6.39	6.29	6.14	5.64	5.79	5.79	5.88	6.13	6.13	5.80	5.80	5.80
,, Flank ..	,,	6.20	6.05	6.05	6.50	6.50	6.14	4.20	4.20	4.20	4.00	4.25	4.25	3.75	3.75	3.75
,, Shin ..	,,	3.28	3.06	3.14	4.33	4.42	4.25	5.50	5.33	5.50	5.00	5.25	4.00	3.40	3.40	3.20
Steak, Rump ..	,,	13.50	13.10	13.30	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.29	14.00	13.86	11.50	11.50	11.50	10.20	10.20	10.20
,, Shoulder ..	,,	5.40	5.15	5.15	6.71	6.50	6.50	7.57	8.00	8.00	6.38	6.38	6.38	5.60	5.60	5.40
,, Stewing ..	,,	4.30	4.00	4.15	6.07	5.79	5.79	7.14	7.57	7.57	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.00	4.80	4.80
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	6.70	6.40	6.45	7.93	7.50	7.71	7.57	7.71	7.67	7.88	7.63	7.88	6.20	6.20	6.20
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	2.65	2.55	2.60	3.64	3.43	3.43	4.50	4.75	4.33	4.50	4.50	4.75	3.80	3.70	3.70
,, ,, without bone	,,	5.15	5.10	5.00	6.36	6.29	6.21	5.71	5.79	5.71	6.50	6.50	6.50	5.50	5.50	5.25
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	6.75	6.55	6.60	8.57	8.21	8.43	7.71	8.42	8.42	7.50	7.50	7.50	6.40	6.40	6.60
,, Shoulder	,,	5.05	4.90	4.90	6.00	6.14	6.14	6.43	6.50	6.64	5.25	5.25	5.75	5.00	5.00	5.20
,, Loin ..	,,	7.70	7.55	7.40	7.93	7.86	8.29	7.14	7.29	7.29	8.00	8.00	8.00	6.10	61.0	6.30
,, Neck ..	,,	5.65	5.60	5.70	6.00	5.93	6.00	5.86	6.14	6.00	4.25	4.25	4.25	3.20	3.40	3.40
Chops, Loin ..	,,	8.85	8.75	8.95	8.36	8.36	8.50	7.57	7.86	7.86	8.50	8.50	8.50	6.80	6.80	6.80
,, Leg ..	,,	7.75	7.70	7.80	8.64	8.57	8.64	8.36	8.50	8.36	7.75	7.75	8.00	6.60	6.60	6.60
,, Neck ..	,,	6.25	6.25	6.20	6.71	6.54	6.71	7.14	7.14	7.14	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.20	5.20
Pork, Leg ..	,,	13.65	13.25	13.55	12.08	11.79	11.86	11.43	12.00	12.00	11.75	11.75	11.75	10.80	10.80	10.80
,, Loin ..	,,	14.30	13.90	14.10	12.08	11.79	11.64	11.43	12.00	12.00	12.75	12.75	12.75	11.20	11.20	11.20
,, Belly ..	,,	11.94	11.94	11.67	10.25	10.00	10.00	11.43	12.00	12.00	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Chops ..	,,	14.90	14.40	14.56	12.58	12.21	12.21	13.29	14.00	14.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	11.60	11.60	11.60

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF VICTORIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Melbourne.			Ballarat.			Bendigo.			Geelong.			Warrnambool.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lbs.	4.83	4.83	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	6.00	6.00	6.00
Flour	25 „	53.55	53.25	51.60	48.43	48.00	48.00	54.43	54.43	48.86	45.00	45.00	45.00	50.40	50.40	50.40
Tea	lb.	23.20	23.20	23.50	22.00	22.71	22.71	19.14	20.43	20.43	19.80	20.60	20.60	18.20	18.60	20.00
Coffee	„	23.90	23.90	23.90	21.29	21.29	21.29	20.29	20.29	20.29	23.40	23.60	23.60	23.40	24.00	24.40
Sugar	„	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.23	5.23	5.23
Rice	„	3.55	3.55	3.55	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.93	3.93	3.93	3.50	3.60	3.50	3.85	3.85	3.85
Sago	„	3.78	3.78	3.83	3.93	3.93	3.93	4.21	4.14	4.21	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.15	4.15	4.15
Jam	„	9.22	9.29	9.27	9.14	9.09	9.09	8.38	8.29	8.48	8.67	8.67	8.67	9.20	9.20	9.20
Oatmeal ..	„	3.36	3.36	3.36	3.48	3.52	3.44	3.37	3.37	3.37	2.90	2.90	2.99	3.74	3.80	3.80
Raisins	„	11.90	11.90	12.10	11.64	11.64	11.64	12.43	12.43	12.29	11.90	11.90	11.90	11.20	11.60	12.00
Currants ..	„	11.10	11.10	10.65	11.36	11.36	10.93	10.93	10.93	10.78	10.20	10.30	10.10	9.70	9.70	9.40
Starch	„	10.20	10.20	10.20	10.86	10.86	10.86	9.43	9.29	9.43	9.40	9.50	10.20	9.20	9.20	9.20
Blue	doz. sq.	12.85	12.85	12.85	13.29	13.50	13.50	13.64	13.07	13.50	13.40	13.40	13.40	12.80	12.80	12.80
Candles ..	lb.	11.23	11.30	11.30	10.57	10.57	10.57	12.00	12.00	12.00	9.70	9.40	9.40	9.90	9.90	9.90
Soap	„	5.31	5.23	5.21	5.57	5.57	5.57	4.72	4.72	4.58	5.10	5.10	5.10	4.70	4.70	4.70
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	18.86	12.00	11.71	16.50	13.29	10.93	19.93	15.08	14.57	15.30	12.50	12.70	12.60	10.60	10.10
Onions	lb.	1.93	1.36	1.14	2.00	1.29	0.93	2.07	1.20	1.21	1.70	1.30	0.92	1.50	1.30	1.00
Kerosene ..	gal.	25.74	25.74	25.74	33.43	32.57	32.57	32.14	31.71	30.93	27.20	27.20	27.20	24.90	24.90	24.90
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.10	7.35	7.90	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.86	6.86	6.86	6.50	6.90	7.00	5.75	5.75	5.75
Butter	lb.	21.55	22.55	24.05	20.57	23.00	24.57	22.71	24.17	25.71	20.75	22.30	23.65	21.80	23.80	25.00
Cheese	„	15.60	16.60	16.70	14.57	14.86	15.00	14.14	14.29	14.86	13.60	13.80	14.40	14.00	14.00	14.40
Eggs	doz.	20.20	23.50	24.33	15.14	18.00	19.29	12.86	16.33	18.86	16.00	19.50	22.20	13.40	15.80	16.75
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	21.60	21.44	21.10	21.29	21.29	20.00	19.57	19.14	19.00	21.40	21.20	20.40	20.20	20.00	19.60
„ Shoulder	„	14.14	14.14	13.71	14.71	14.29	14.00	14.50	14.33	14.17	13.20	13.60	12.80	11.80	11.60	11.75
Ham	„	23.50	23.63	23.25	23.00	23.29	22.00	21.00	21.20	20.67	22.50	22.50	22.50	21.80	21.20	21.75
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	8.95	8.95	9.05	8.14	8.07	7.79	7.43	7.43	7.43	8.60	8.60	8.60	7.75	7.80	7.80
„ Ribs ..	„	6.75	6.80	6.90	6.57	6.64	6.64	6.57	6.57	6.57	7.40	7.40	7.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
„ Flank ..	„	5.35	5.75	5.85	4.71	4.57	4.57	3.86	3.86	3.93	4.00	4.00	4.00	3.40	3.40	3.40
„ Shin ..	„	4.25	4.15	4.10	3.64	3.64	3.64	4.71	4.86	4.71	4.60	4.20	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
Steak, Rump ..	„	14.20	14.20	14.00	13.57	13.43	13.29	11.86	11.86	11.86	13.80	13.80	13.80	13.60	13.60	13.60
„ Shoulder ..	„	6.55	6.45	6.45	6.29	6.43	6.29	7.14	7.00	7.00	6.80	6.60	6.60	7.00	6.60	6.60
„ Stewing ..	„	5.25	5.25	5.25	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.86	5.80	5.80	5.70	6.00	6.00	6.00
Beef, Corned Roll	„	7.75	7.65	7.60	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.43	7.29	7.43	8.60	8.20	8.20	7.80	7.80	7.80
„ Brisket, with bone	„	3.28	3.39	3.22	4.50	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.29	4.70	4.30	4.50	3.80	3.80	3.90
„ „ without bone	„	5.65	5.65	5.55	5.86	6.00	6.14	6.29	6.29	6.29	6.40	6.20	6.20	5.80	5.70	5.90
Mutton, Leg ..	„	7.80	7.75	7.75	7.14	7.29	7.36	7.14	7.14	7.14	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	7.60	7.80
„ Shoulder	„	4.85	4.75	4.60	5.07	4.93	4.93	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.60	5.60	5.60	4.80	4.80	4.40
„ Loin ..	„	7.20	7.10	7.20	6.57	6.57	6.57	6.29	6.29	6.43	7.40	7.40	7.40	7.20	7.00	7.00
„ Neck ..	„	3.85	3.75	3.80	4.29	4.14	4.43	4.29	4.29	4.00	4.90	4.80	4.80	4.60	4.60	4.20
Chops, Loin ..	„	8.50	8.40	8.60	7.71	7.57	7.71	7.86	7.86	7.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.80	7.80	7.80
„ Leg ..	„	8.78	8.67	8.67	8.43	8.57	8.43	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.80	7.80	7.80	8.00	8.00	8.00
„ Neck ..	„	4.50	4.45	4.35	5.86	5.57	5.57	5.71	5.71	5.71	6.80	6.80	6.80	6.00	5.80	5.60
Pork, Leg ..	„	13.11	12.89	12.33	11.86	11.86	11.57	11.17	11.00	10.83	12.50	12.20	11.75	10.60	10.60	10.40
„ Loin ..	„	13.67	13.89	13.11	12.14	11.86	11.57	11.83	11.33	11.17	13.25	12.60	12.50	10.40	10.60	10.40
„ Belly ..	„	13.00	13.00	12.67	12.43	12.14	11.71	11.17	11.00	10.83	13.50	12.80	12.75	9.80	10.00	9.60
„ Chops ..	„	14.33	14.22	13.44	12.29	11.29	11.86	12.17	11.83	11.83	13.25	13.60	13.50	11.00	11.00	10.80

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF QUEENSLAND ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Brisbane.			Toowoomba.			Rockhampton.			Charters Towers.			Warwick.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lbs.	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.21	5.21	5.21	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.10	5.10	5.10
Flour	25 „	59.67	59.67	60.00	55.50	57.86	57.86	55.00	55.21	53.86	63.00	63.00	62.40	60.60	63.00	63.00
Tea	lb.	25.22	26.22	26.33	26.00	24.86	25.00	23.67	24.43	25.00	28.40	28.40	28.80	25.60	25.80	27.60
Coffee	„	26.00	25.89	26.00	25.83	25.86	25.86	25.50	25.71	25.71	29.40	29.40	29.40	25.00	25.20	23.40
Sugar	„	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.96	4.89	4.89	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.50
Rice	„	3.28	3.31	3.28	3.58	3.57	3.57	3.33	3.21	3.29	4.50	4.50	4.60	3.75	3.75	3.75
Sago	„	3.67	3.67	3.83	3.83	3.79	3.79	3.50	3.57	3.64	4.90	4.80	4.80	4.30	4.30	4.30
Jam	„	9.03	8.97	8.81	9.75	9.50	9.39	9.46	9.61	9.46	10.90	10.90	10.70	10.25	10.45	10.40
Oatmeal ..	„	3.44	3.44	3.44	3.68	3.66	3.66	4.13	4.30	4.34	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.37	4.27	4.11
Raisins	„	13.33	13.11	13.33	12.50	12.57	12.57	12.00	12.14	12.14	15.60	15.60	15.60	13.80	13.80	13.60
Currants ..	„	11.89	11.72	11.28	12.00	11.93	11.64	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.00	13.00	13.00	12.40	12.40	12.40
Starch	„	9.28	9.28	9.39	11.33	10.68	10.36	10.25	10.50	10.57	13.20	13.00	13.00	11.80	12.40	13.00
Blue	doz. sq.	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.17	12:29	12.29	14.21	14.21	14.08	13.80	13.80	13.80	15.05	15.05	15.05
Candles ..	lb.	8.89	9.06	9.28	9.67	9.71	9.71	9.75	10.07	10.07	13.60	13.40	13.40	10.40	10.80	11.00
Soap	„	5.19	5.19	5.19	5.04	5.04	5.04	3.93	3.94	4.01	4.80	4.80	4.80	4.40	4.40	4.40
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	29.56	21.13	19.50	30.50	24.71	22.29	32.67	24.00	23.14	41.60	34.00	26.70	28.40	21.20	18.60
Onions	lb.	2.28	1.50	1.25	2.58	2.36	1.93	2.00	1.93	1.50	3.30	3.00	2.41	2.35	1.90	1.70
Kerosene ..	gal.	25.34	25.04	24.65	28.33	28.86	28.57	23.33	23.43	23.86	25.97	24.82	25.97	30.60	30.00	30.00
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.30	7.30	7.30	6.33	6.29	6.83	8.00	7.17	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.88	5.88	5.88
Butter	lb.	21.89	23.38	24.38	24.33	25.86	26.14	22.67	24.14	24.14	24.50	26.50	26.50	24.00	25.00	25.00
Cheese	„	13.50	13.75	14.38	13.58	13.79	14.43	14.83	15.14	15.29	16.40	16.40	16.40	14.00	14.80	15.00
Eggs	doz.	15.67	20.50	26.38	12.17	15.14	18.00	19.50	22.71	29.14	20.40	21.75	30.25	12.20	15.00	19.60
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	17.67	17.22	17.13	16.67	16.43	16.00	17.50	17.57	17.43	16.20	17.40	17.20	17.00	16.80	16.60
„ Shoulder	„	11.33	11.00	10.13	12.17	11.83	11.29	13.33	13.57	13.29	13.30	13.20	13.00	12.20	12.20	11.20
Ham	„	25.57	25.14	25.50	25.80	25.80	25.40	27.83	27.14	27.14	28.00	28.00	26.33	26.00	26.00	25.25
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	„	7.05	7.30	7.15	5.20	5.25	5.17	5.79	5.79	5.64	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00
„ Ribs ..	„	4.15	4.18	4.08	3.17	3.17	2.92	4.14	4.14	4.00	3.50	3.50	3.50	3.00	3.50	3.50
„ Flank ..	„	3.57	3.86	3.64	2.50	2.58	2.42	2.86	2.86	2.64	2.63	2.63	2.75	2.50	2.75	2.75
„ Shin ..	„	2.85	2.75	2.75	1.92	1.75	2.00	2.07	2.25	2.21	2.40	2.40	2.40	2.00	2.33	2.33
Steak, Rump ..	„	8.15	8.45	8.45	7.00	7.00	6.83	7.29	7.29	7.43	8.30	8.30	8.30	8.00	8.00	8.00
„ Shoulder ..	„	3.50	3.50	3.40	3.00	3.00	2.83	3.00	3.00	2.79	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.38	3.25
„ Stewing ..	„	3.40	3.55	3.30	3.00	3.00	2.83	3.00	3.00	2.79	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.25	3.25
Beef, Corned Roll	„	6.15	6.30	6.33	5.08	5.08	4.67	4.86	4.86	4.86	4.00	4.00	4.00	5.13	6.00	6.00
„ Brisket, with bone	„	2.65	2.60	2.55	2.58	2.58	2.25	3.10	3.10	3.10	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.88	3.50	3.50
„ „ without bone	„	4.35	4.40	4.20	3.90	3.90	3.40	4.14	4.21	4.21	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.33	5.00	4.75
Mutton, Leg ..	„	7.65	7.70	7.60	7.00	7.17	7.17	8.14	8.43	8.57	6.00	6.75	7.00	5.75	7.25	7.25
„ Shoulder	„	4.50	4.60	4.65	3.67	3.67	3.67	6.00	6.00	5.86	3.50	4.70	4.60	4.25	5.13	5.25
„ Loin ..	„	7.45	7.60	7.50	6.33	6.33	6.33	8.14	8.43	8.57	6.60	7.25	7.20	5.75	7.75	7.75
„ Neck ..	„	6.25	6.45	6.40	4.50	4.67	4.33	7.17	7.50	5.80	4.40	4.40	4.50	3.50	5.38	5.50
Chops, Loin ..	„	7.65	7.75	7.65	6.08	6.08	6.00	8.14	8.43	8.57	7.00	7.80	8.00	6.00	8.00	8.00
„ Leg ..	„	7.80	8.10	7.80	6.83	7.00	7.00	8.14	8.43	8.57	7.00	7.60	8.00	5.75	8.00	8.00
„ Neck ..	„	7.10	7.25	7.15	5.75	5.58	5.67	7.17	7.50	6.83	5.40	7.25	7.00	4.25	7.25	6.63
Pork, Leg ..	„	11.30	11.20	11.15	10.08	10.25	9.83	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.60	10.60	10.60	9.25	9.75	9.50
„ Loin ..	„	11.50	11.50	11.45	9.58	9.58	7.33	10.71	10.71	10.71	10.60	10.60	10.60	9.25	9.75	9.50
„ Belly ..	„	9.20	9.20	9.20	8.58	8.75	7.83	9.29	9.29	9.29	9.80	9.80	9.80	7.50	7.75	7.50
„ Chops ..	„	11.80	11.80	11.65	10.00	10.33	9.50	11.00	11.00	11.00	10.60	10.40	10.40	9.75	10.25	9.75

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Adelaide.			Kadina, etc.			Port Pirie.			Mt. Gambier.			Peterborough.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lbs.	5.06	5.00	5.00	5.29	5.29	5.21	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour	25 ,,	56.44	56.44	55.78	50.14	50.14	49.71	57.42	57.42	56.25	58.80	58.80	57.60	62.40	62.40	60.60
Tea	lb.	21.22	22.11	22.67	24.29	23.86	23.86	24.86	25.29	25.71	27.60	27.40	27.80	27.40	27.40	27.80
Coffee	,,	27.22	27.22	27.22	31.57	31.29	31.57	28.93	29.21	28.93	32.60	32.60	32.20	32.50	31.20	32.60
Sugar	,,	4.97	4.97	4.97	5.17	5.14	5.14	5.31	5.36	5.34	5.37	5.37	5.37	5.50	5.50	5.50
Rice	,,	4.06	4.06	4.06	4.93	4.93	4.93	4.57	4.71	4.71	4.30	4.30	4.30	5.10	4.90	4.90
Sago	,,	4.11	4.11	4.44	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.00	5.07	5.07	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.40	5.60	5.70
Jam	,,	8.11	8.11	8.11	8.81	8.81	8.76	8.48	8.48	8.48	8.97	8.97	8.87	9.07	8.93	8.93
Oatmeal	,,	3.33	3.26	3.32	3.87	3.87	3.98	3.89	3.89	4.00	3.40	3.40	3.63	4.16	4.16	4.25
Raisins	,,	11.78	11.78	11.67	13.43	13.14	13.29	13.14	13.29	13.29	12.60	12.60	12.60	13.00	13.00	13.00
Currants	,,	8.61	9.11	8.78	9.00	9.14	9.14	9.29	9.36	9.57	9.40	9.80	9.40	9.00	9.00	8.80
Starch	,,	9.22	9.11	9.11	11.07	11.07	11.07	10.36	10.36	10.29	11.00	11.00	11.00	11.60	11.80	11.60
Blue	doz. sq.	12.56	12.22	12.22	13.11	13.11	13.11	13.18	13.18	13.39	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
Candles	lb.	10.50	10.44	10.44	11.71	11.57	11.57	11.43	11.64	11.64	11.40	11.40	11.40	12.40	12.40	13.00
Soap	,,	5.75	5.78	5.83	5.24	5.24	5.24	5.83	5.83	5.67	5.20	5.70	5.70	6.58	6.58	6.58
Potatoes	14 lbs.	22.33	15.42	13.75	29.14	22.29	19.29	25.86	21.00	17.43	20.25	15.75	12.75	31.60	22.80	19.20
Onions	lb.	2.50	2.08	1.75	3.07	2.79	2.43	2.86	2.57	2.57	2.25	2.00	1.50	2.80	2.30	2.10
Kerosene	gal.	25.44	24.77	24.66	29.22	29.02	28.81	28.07	27.14	27.14	31.50	31.50	30.75	32.47	32.47	33.67
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.94	8.00	8.00	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.33	7.33	7.33	5.75	6.00	6.00	6.50	6.50	6.50
Butter	lb.	21.22	24.06	25.67	20.43	24.14	26.00	21.57	24.14	26.00	14.00	14.80	19.80	17.00	20.70	23.40
Cheese	,,	13.56	14.11	15.11	14.86	15.29	16.14	13.57	14.07	14.43	13.00	14.00	14.50	14.00	14.80	16.20
Eggs	doz.	15.33	16.44	19.11	10.86	11.57	14.86	13.14	16.71	17.86	10.00	12.00	12.80	10.20	12.40	16.20
Bacon, Middle	lb.	18.28	18.28	17.61	18.71	18.86	19.00	18.00	18.00	17.86	18.75	18.75	18.25	19.40	19.00	19.00
,, Shoulder	,,	12.43	12.43	12.43	15.60	15.60	15.40	14.80	14.80	14.80	14.50	14.50	14.50	18.00	18.00	18.00
Ham	,,	21.00	20.71	20.75	19.80	19.50	19.50	20.20	19.60	19.80	19.50	19.50	19.25	21.00	21.00	21.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin	,,	8.35	8.35	8.45	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.14	7.14	8.00	8.00	7.60	7.00	7.00	7.00
,, Ribs	,,	6.70	6.70	6.80	7.00	7.00	7.00	5.83	5.86	5.86	7.40	7.40	7.20	6.00	6.00	6.00
,, Flank		6.78	6.83	6.83	6.00	6.00	6.00	3.83	3.86	3.86	5.00	4.80	4.80	3.00	3.00	3.00
,, Shin	,,	5.78	5.78	5.78	5.20	5.20	5.20	4.33	4.57	4.57	6.33	6.67	6.25	5.00	5.00	5.00
Steak, Rump	,,	13.80	13.70	13.70	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.14	12.14	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Shoulder	,,	7.50	7.60	7.60	7.57	7.57	7.57	7.67	7.29	7.29	7.60	7.60	7.60	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Stewing	,,	7.10	7.10	7.10	7.43	7.43	7.43	7.00	6.86	6.86	7.20	7.20	7.20	8.00	8.50	8.50
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	8.67	8.67	8.70	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.33	8.57	8.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	5.20	5.20	5.20	6.17	6.17	6.17	5.00	5.14	5.14	6.00	5.80	5.80	4.00	4.00	4.00
,, ,, without bone	,,	6.60	6.60	6.60	7.29	7.29	7.29	7.00	7.14	7.14	7.40	7.40	7.40	6.00	6.00	6.00
Mutton, Leg	,,	8.55	8.60	8.50	7.86	7.86	7.86	6.83	7.00	7.29	7.40	7.40	7.40	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Shoulder	,,	6.65	6.75	6.75	5.57	5.57	5.71	5.33	5.43	5.57	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.50	7.50	7.50
,, Loin	,,	7.75	7.75	7.75	6.86	6.86	6.86	5.33	5.43	5.86	7.50	7.10	6.90	7.00	7.00	7.00
,, Neck	,,	5.75	6.00	6.00	4.86	4.86	5.14	4.33	4.57	4.71	6.00	6.20	6.40	7.00	7.50	7.50
Chops, Loin	,,	8.85	8.75	8.75	7.71	8.00	8.00	7.67	7.86	8.00	8.60	8.60	8.60	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Leg	,,	9.35	9.25	9.25	7.86	7.86	7.86	7.83	8.14	8.29	8.60	8.60	8.60	10.00	10.00	8.50
,, Neck	,,	7.40	7.30	7.30	6.57	6.57	6.57	6.67	7.14	7.14	7.50	7.50	7.50	8.50	8.00	8.00
Pork, Leg	,,	11.90	11.80	11.70	9.71	9.71	9.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.25	9.75	9.75	10.00	9.50	9.50
,, Loin	,,	12.80	12.60	12.60	9.71	9.71	9.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.25	10.25	9.75	9.50	9.50	9.50
,, Belly	,,	12.50	12.40	12.30	9.57	9.57	9.57	9.67	9.71	9.71	10.00	10.00	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.50
,, Chops	,,	13.40	13.40	13.30	9.86	9.86	9.86	10.33	10.29	10.29	11.00	10.75	10.75	12.00	12.00	12.00

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Perth and Fremantle.			Kalgoorlie and Boulder.			Northam.			Bunbury.			Geraldton.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.	d.
Bread	2 lbs.	4.50	4.40	4.35	5.50	5.50	5.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.67	4.50	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour	25 ,,	47.20	46.90	47.20	50.57	49.71	48.86	55.33	55.33	53.00	51.00	49.20	49.20	49.20	49.20	48.60
Tea	lb.	23.60	22.70	23.80	26.14	26.14	26.43	24.67	25.33	26.00	20.40	20.40	21.00	27.60	27.60	28.00
Coffee	,,	22.60	22.60	22.60	24.86	25.71	25.71	25.00	25.00	25.00	23.00	23.00	23.00	24.60	22.60	22.60
Sugar	,,	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.79	5.93	5.93	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.35	5.30	5.30	5.35	5.30	5.30
Rice	,,	3.30	3.30	3.30	4.43	4.57	4.57	3.83	3.83	3.83	3.80	3.80	3.80	4.20	4.20	4.20
Sago	,,	3.65	3.70	3.75	4.71	4.71	5.00	3.83	3.83	4.00	4.10	3.90	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.20
Jam	,,	9.30	9.27	9.20	9.81	9.81	9.71	10.67	10.67	10.67	10.13	10.00	10.13	10.54	10.27	10.33
Oatmeal ..	,,	3.54	3.54	3.54	3.89	3.93	3.89	4.19	4.19	4.10	3.92	3.92	3.92	4.20	4.20	4.20
Raisins	,,	9.30	9.25	9.20	12.43	12.43	12.43	11.33	11.33	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.40	13.00	13.00	13.00
Currants ..	,,	9.05	9.20	8.50	12.14	12.14	12.14	11.33	11.33	10.67	11.50	11.50	11.10	12.40	12.40	12.40
Starch	,,	9.30	9.50	9.45	13.00	13.14	13.00	10.50	10.50	10.50	11.10	11.10	11.10	12.20	12.20	12.20
Blue	doz. sq.	16.75	16.70	16.35	18.86	18.86	18.86	17.33	17.33	17.33	18.00	18.00	18.00	19.80	19.80	19.80
Candles ..	lb.	10.40	10.25	10.50	12.14	12.14	12.14	12.33	12.33	12.33	11.50	11.50	11.50	12.60	12.60	12.40
Soap	,,	4.12	4.11	4.06	6.64	6.64	6.64	4.28	4.28	4.28	4.62	4.62	4.62	5.20	5.64	5.64
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	20.00	18.78	18.00	26.57	25.29	23.50	22.67	22.67	21.00	17.60	19.20	19.00	23.80	24.25	23.60
Onions	lb.	2.11	2.01	1.71	3.43	3.21	2.83	3.00	2.67	2.00	2.70	2.20	1.90	3.60	3.00	2.80
Kerosene ..	gal.	23.25	23.25	22.95	37.45	36.59	36.59	27.45	27.21	26.88	24.51	24.37	24.37	28.97	28.15	26.95
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.86	9.86	9.71	8.00	8.00	8.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.00
Butter	lb.	22.00	23.33	25.40	24.43	26.71	28.33	24.00	26.00	27.33	21.60	22.80	27.00	24.40	26.25	27.40
Cheese	,,	13.60	13.70	14.50	15.43	16.57	17.00	15.67	15.67	16.00	15.20	15.00	15.60	16.60	16.60	16.60
Eggs	doz.	19.00	20.33	26.90	23.29	25.29	27.83	17.33	18.67	21.33	19.60	21.00	25.50	18.20	19.75	24.00
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	18.15	18.25	17.90	21.00	21.00	21.00	18.00	18.67	18.33	19.20	19.20	19.00	20.40	20.40	19.60
,, Shoulder	,,	12.20	12.00	11.50	16.71	16.71	16.71	13.33	13.67	13.33	12.60	12.60	12.60	17.20	17.20	15.20
Ham	,,	20.80	20.90	20.60	23.71	23.71	24.29	21.67	22.33	21.67	21.00	20.80	20.60	25.00	25.00	24.40
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	9.15	9.05	9.25	8.43	9.14	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.50	9.25	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Ribs ..	,,	7.80	7.70	7.90	7.43	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.67	8.25	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Flank ..	,,	7.85	7.55	7.65	8.14	9.00	8.71	10.50	10.50	10.50	8.33	8.00	7.75	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Shin ..	,,	6.70	6.50	6.70	6.50	7.80	7.80	8.50	8.50	8.50	7.00	6.75	6.50	7.00	7.00	7.00
Steak, Rump ..	,,	15.00	14.80	14.80	14.71	15.86	15.86	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.33	14.50	13.75	13.67	13.67	13.67
,, Shoulder ..	,,	8.40	8.50	8.50	8.71	9.86	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	8.67	8.50	8.75	10.00	10.00	10.00
,, Stewing ..	,,	7.70	7.90	7.90	7.43	8.14	8.14	8.50	8.50	8.50	8.67	8.75	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	8.70	8.70	8.70	8.57	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.50	9.25	9.67	9.67	9.67
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	5.65	5.60	5.60	5.57	5.71	5.71	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.67	5.50	5.25	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, ,, without bone	,,	7.30	7.30	7.40	7.43	7.86	7.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.33	8.25	8.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	8.90	8.80	9.10	8.14	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.25	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Shoulder	,,	7.00	7.00	7.10	6.14	8.00	8.14	8.00	8.00	8.00	9.33	8.00	6.67	7.33	7.33	7.33
,, Loin ..	,,	8.20	8.00	8.30	8.00	9.57	9.57	9.50	9.50	9.50	9.33	8.50	8.00	8.33	8.33	8.33
,, Neck ..	,,	5.65	5.50	5.70	5.86	7.57	7.57	7.00	7.00	7.00	7.17	6.63	5.50	7.00	7.00	7.33
Chops, Loin ..	,,	9.40	9.40	9.40	8.71	10.29	10.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.25	8.75	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Leg ..	,,	9.60	9.40	9.40	9.00	10.29	10.29	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.25	9.25	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Neck ..	,,	6.70	6.60	6.50	6.29	7.86	7.86	8.00	8.00	8.00	8.33	7.00	7.25	7.67	7.67	7.67
Pork, Leg ..	,,	13.80	13.40	13.40	13.86	14.14	14.14	12.00	12.00	10.00	12.00	11.50	11.25	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Loin ..	,,	13.70	13.30	13.10	13.71	13.86	13.86	12.00	12.00	10.00	12.00	11.50	11.50	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Belly ..	,,	12.00	11.80	11.60	12.57	12.43	12.43	12.00	12.00	10.00	11.67	11.00	10.00	11.33	11.33	11.33
,, Chops ..	,,	14.50	14.20	14.20	14.57	14.71	14.57	12.00	12.00	10.00	13.00	12.75	12.25	12.00	12.00	12.00

AVERAGE PREDOMINANT RETAIL PRICES IN EACH OF THE FIVE PRINCIPAL TOWNS OF TASMANIA ON THE 15th OF THE MONTHS SPECIFIED FOR THE YEAR 1923.

Article.	Unit.	Hobart.			Launceston.			Burnie.			Devonport.			Queenstown.		
		Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	Jan.	Feb.	March.
Groceries, &c.—		*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*	*d.*
Bread	2 lbs.	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.93	4.93	4.93	5.50	5.50	5.50	5.17	5.00	5.25	5.00	5.00	5.00
Flour	25 ,,	48.17	47.83	47.17	45.86	45.43	45.43	49.00	49.00	45.75	51.60	51.60	51.60	55.20	54.00	54.00
Tea	lb.	23.22	23.56	23.11	20.43	20.86	21.14	25.60	25.20	26.00	24.60	25.00	25.60	25.73	25.53	26.13
Coffee	,,	22.89	22.89	22.89	22.71	22.43	22.43	23.50	24.60	23.25	24.00	22.40	24.60	21.60	23.80	22.20
Sugar	,,	4.94	4.94	4.94	5.00	4.86	4.86	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.95	4.95	4.95	5.20	5.30	5.30
Rice	,,	3.94	3.94	3.94	3.79	3.79	3.79	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.20	4.20	4.20
Sago	,,	4.17	4.22	4.17	3.93	4.07	4.00	4.30	4.50	4.50	4.10	4.30	4.20	4.00	4.20	4.20
Jam	,,	8.33	8.52	8.52	8.33	8.48	8.48	9.89	9.74	9.67	10.00	10.00	9.87	9.93	9.73	9.87
Oatmeal ..	,,	3.21	3.29	3.34	2.80	2.94	3.25	3.63	3.69	3.68	3.50	3.46	3.53	3.57	3.61	3.60
Raisins	,,	11.72	11.72	11.61	11.43	11.43	11.43	11.80	11.20	12.00	14.40	14.40	13.60	14.40	15.20	14.80
Currants	,,	11.72	11.72	10.94	11.00	11.00	9.93	11.10	11.10	10.63	10.40	10.40	10.40	11.80	11.60	11.60
Starch	,,	10.33	10.22	10.22	9.79	9.79	9.64	10.20	10.60	9.75	10.70	10.70	11.00	11.40	11.40	11.40
Blue	doz. sq.	11.75	11.75	11.75	11.00	11.00	11.00	12.50	13.10	13.38	13.90	14.80	14.80	12.90	12.60	12.80
Candles ..	lb.	10.06	10.11	10.06	9.36	9.36	9.43	10.20	10.20	10.25	10.10	10.10	10.30	10.80	11.00	10.80
Soap	,,	4.12	4.12	4.23	4.21	4.21	4.21	5.20	5.80	5.75	5.95	6.23	6.30	5.06	5.06	5.13
Potatoes ..	14 lbs.	29.71	18.57	15.86	24.67	19.50	18.00	17.20	15.00	13.50	20.70	13.80	13.20	26.50	23.20	21.00
Onions	lb.	2.36	1.93	1.86	2.75	2.33	2.00	1.80	1.60	1.00	2.20	2.10	2.10	2.75	2.50	2.20
Kerosene ..	gal.	26.94	26.96	26.85	26.14	26.14	25.71	25.20	25.80	25.50	29.75	28.55	26.75	32.20	31.32	30.12
Dairy Produce—																
Milk	quart	7.70	7.80	7.90	7.00	7.00	7.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	7.75	7.75	7.75
Butter	lb.	20.44	21.83	23.78	19.00	21.43	23.14	19.30	21.10	24.25	17.60	20.20	24.00	21.40	22.80	25.00
Cheese	,,	13.22	12.89	14.11	13.29	13.43	13.71	13.80	13.80	14.50	13.80	14.00	14.60	13.60	13.80	14.80
Eggs	doz.	15.44	20.44	21.11	15.29	17.29	17.86	15.20	17.60	18.75	13.60	16.80	17.50	21.40	22.25	25.25
Bacon, Middle ..	lb.	15.44	15.44	15.50	17.43	16.86	16.86	15.60	15.80	15.25	15.20	15.30	15.60	14.80	15.00	14.80
,, Shoulder	,,	10.38	10.00	9.86	10.86	10.57	10.43	12.14	12.60	12.75	11.60	11.60	10.80	12.50	12.70	13.00
Ham	,,	21.17	18.20	18.60	20.50	20.33	20.33	15.40	15.60	15.00	16.25	15.67	14.40	16.20	16.00	16.00
Meat—																
Beef, Sirloin ..	,,	10.70	10.60	10.50	9.83	9.71	9.71	9.67	9.67	9.67	10.67	10.50	10.67	9.67	9.67	9.67
,, Ribs ..	,,	9.30	9.10	9.00	8.50	8.43	8.43	8.67	8.67	8.67	9.67	9.75	9.67	8.00	9.00	9.00
,, Flank ..	,,	6.90	6.80	7.30	6.00	6.29	6.29	6.33	6.33	6.33	6.00	6.00	7.00	6.33	6.33	6.33
,, Shin ..	,,	6.89	7.00	7.00	6.20	6.33	6.33	5.00	5.00	5.00	6.00	6.00	6.00	8.00	8.00	8.00
Steak, Rump ..	,,	15.60	15.60	15.60	12.67	13.00	13.00	11.67	11.67	11.67	12.00	12.00	12.00	13.67	13.67	13.67
,, Shoulder ..	,,	9.30	9.50	9.60	9.17	9.29	9.29	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.67	9.75	9.67	8.67	9.33	8.67
,, Stewing ..	,,	9.30	9.30	9.10	8.67	8.71	8.71	8.67	8.67	8.67	9.00	9.25	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00
Beef, Corned Roll	,,	10.10	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.43	9.43	9.33	9.33	9.33	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.33	10.33	10.33
,, Brisket, with bone	,,	5.80	6.10	6.10	5.58	5.93	5.93	6.67	6.67	6.67	7.33	7.75	7.33	6.33	6.33	6.33
,, ,, without bone	,,	8.56	8.67	8.78	8.40	8.50	8.50	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.00	9.67	9.00	9.67	9.67	9.67
Mutton, Leg ..	,,	9.20	9.10	9.10	8.50	9.00	9.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	9.33	9.33	9.00	9.00	9.00
,, Shoulder	,,	7.20	7.40	7.40	7.80	7.83	8.00	7.67	7.67	7.67	7.67	8.00	7.33	6.33	6.33	6.33
,, Loin ..	,,	8.60	8.60	8.60	8.33	8.57	8.57	9.33	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.67	9.67	8.33	8.33	8.33
,, Neck ..	,,	6.40	6.60	6.40	6.17	6.43	6.43	7.33	7.33	7.33	7.33	8.25	7.33	6.00	6.33	6.33
Chops, Loin ..	,,	10.10	9.90	9.90	10.67	10.86	10.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Leg ..	,,	10.50	10.40	10.40	9.83	9.86	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.33	9.33	9.33
,, Neck ..	,,	7.60	7.40	7.40	7.67	7.57	7.71	8.67	8.67	9.00	9.33	9.25	9.00	8.33	8.33	8.33
Pork, Leg ..	,,	12.10	12.10	12.10	11.00	10.86	10.71	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	11.75	9.67	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Loin ..	,,	12.80	12.90	13.10	11.00	10.71	10.71	10.33	10.33	10.33	10.67	10.00	10.67	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Belly ..	,,	13.00	13.10	13.10	11.00	10.86	11.14	10.00	10.00	10.00	9.67	10.00	9.67	12.00	12.00	12.00
,, Chops ..	,,	13.90	14.00	14.00	12.00	11.71	11.71	10.67	10.67	10.67	11.33	10.50	11.33	12.00	12.00	12.00

Section IX.—Wholesale Price Index-Numbers.

MELBOURNE WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX-NUMBERS, 1861 TO MARCH, 1923, COMPUTED TO YEAR 1911 AS BASE (=1,000).

Year.	I. Metals and Coal.	II. Jute, Leather, &c.	III. Agricultural Produce, &c.	IV. Dairy Produce.	V. Groceries.	VI. Meat.	VII. Building Materials.	VIII. Chemicals.	All Groups.
1861	1,438	1,381	1,583	1,008	1,963	..	1,070	2,030	1,538
1901	1,061	774	928	1,029	1,048	1,345	841	917	974
1911	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**	**1,000**
1920	2,298	2,624	2,439	2,209	1,918	3,279	3,226	2,825	2,480
1921	2,173	1,362	1,767	2,000	1,976	2,158	2,733	2,303	1,903
1922	1,942	1,681	1,628	1,648	1,869	1,787	2,005	1,965	1,758
January, 1922	2,031	1,514	1,498	1,424	1,941	1,496	2,148	2,054	1,673
February, 1922	2,023	1,482	1,520	1,429	1,924	1,503	2,135	1,993	1,672
March, 1922	2,007	1,493	1,538	1,455	1,917	1,471	2,053	1,946	1,669
April, 1922	1,997	1,527	1,543	1,612	1,900	1,484	2,087	1,970	1,691
May, 1922	1,973	1,628	1,592	1,861	1,897	1,771	1,972	1,947	1,764
June, 1922	1,961	1,730	1,577	1,823	1,892	1,881	1,856	1,925	1,775
July, 1922	1,942	1,693	1,636	1,882	1,868	1,921	1,842	2,041	1,789
August, 1922	1,897	1,605	1,658	1,728	1,867	2,015	1,837	2,041	1,770
September, 1922	1,882	1,706	1,709	1,749	1,861	2,010	1,847	1,972	1,799
October, 1922	1,870	1,785	1,667	1,680	1,865	2,143	1,959	1,926	1,812
November, 1922	1,859	2,044	1,792	1,609	1,747	1,911	2,093	1,885	1,849
December, 1922	1,856	1,969	1,806	1,520	1,750	1,839	2,237	1,885	1,832
January, 1923	1,856	2,071	1,753	1,617	1,750	1,985	2,171	1,923	1,855
February, 1923	1,851	2,154	1,676	1,680	1,760	1,874	2,083	1,991	1,839
March, 1923	1,815	2,162	1,711	1,813	1,765	1,898	2,022	1,975	1,857

STATISTICAL SUMMARY—AUSTRALIA, 1871-1922.

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1922.
Population .. Males	928,918	1,247,059	1,736,617	2,004,836	2,382,224	2,798,617	2,866,351
Population .. Females	771,970	1,059,677	1,504,368	1,820,077	2,191,644	2,711,612	2,768,201
Population .. Total	1,700,888	2,306,736	3,240,985	3,824,913	4,573,868	5,510,229	5,634,552
Births .. No.	63,625	80,004	110,187	102,945	122,193	136,198	137,496
Births .. Rate	38.00	35.26	34.47	27.16	27.21	24.95	24.69
Deaths .. No.	22,175	33,327	47,430	46,330	47,869	54,076	51,311
Deaths .. Rate	13.24	14.69	14.84	12.22	10.66	9.91	9.21
Marriages .. No.	11,623	17,244	23,862	27,753	39,482	46,869	44,731
Marriages .. Rate	6.94	7.60	7.47	7.32	8.79	8.59	8.03
Agriculture—							
Wheat .. Area, acs.	1,279,778	3,002,064	3,335,528	5,115,965	7,427,834	9,719,042	..
Wheat .. Yld., bshl.	11,917,741	21,443,862	25,675,265	38,561,619	71,636,347	129,088,806	..
Wheat .. Av. ,,	9.31	7.14	7.70	7.54	9.64	13.28	..
Oats .. Area, acs.	225,492	194,816	246,129	461,430	616,794	733,406	..
Oats .. Yld., bshl.	4,251,630	4,795,897	5,726,256	9,789,854	9,561,833	12,147,433	..
Oats .. Av. ,,	18.85	24.62	23.27	21.22	15.50	16.56	..
Barley .. Area, acs.	48,164	75,864	68,068	74,511	116,466	298,910	..
Barley .. Yld., bshl.	726,158	1,353,380	1,178,560	1,519,819	2,056,836	6,085,685	..
Barley .. Av. ,,	15.08	17.84	17.31	20.40	17.66	20.36	..
Maize .. Area, acs.	142,078	165,777	284,428	294,849	340,065	305,186	..
Maize .. Yld., bshl.	4,576,635	5,726,266	9,261,922	7,034,786	8,939,855	7,840,438	..
Maize .. Av. ,,	32.21	34.54	32.56	23.86	26.29	25.69	..
Hay .. Area, acs.	303,274	768,388	942,166	1,688,402	2,518,351	2,994,519	..
Hay .. Yld., tons	375,871	767,194	1,067,255	2,024,608	2,867,973	3,902,189	..
Hay .. Av. ,,	1.24	1.00	1.13	1.20	1.14	1.30	..
Potatoes* .. Area, acs.	67,911	76,265	112,884	109,685	130,463	149,144	..
Potatoes* .. Yld., tons	212,896	243,216	380,477	322,524	301,489	388,091	..
Potatoes* .. Av. ,,	3.13	3.19	3.37	2.94	2.31	2.60	..
Sugar Cane§ Area, acs.	11,576	19,708	45,444	86,950	101,010	197,293	..
Sugar Cane§ Yld., tons	176,632	349,627	737,573	1,367,802	1,682,250	2,436,890	..
Sugar Cane§ Av. ,,	15.25	17.74	16.23	15.73	16.65	18.99	..
Vineyards Area, acs.	16,253	14,570	48,882	63,677	60,602	92,414	..
Vineyards Wine, gal.	2,104,000	1,488,000	3,535,000	5,816,087	4,975,147	8,562,573	..
Total value all agricultural production .. £	8,941,000	15,519,000	16,480,000	23,835,000	38,774,000	81,889,700	..
Pastoral, dairying, &c.—							
Live Stock Sheep No.	40,072,955	65,092,719	106,421,068	72,040,211	93,003,521	82,226,470	..
Live Stock Cattle ,,	4,277,228	8,010,991	11,112,112	8,491,428	11,828,954	14,530,081	..
Live Stock Horses ,,	701,530	1,088,029	1,584,737	1,620,420	2,278,226	2,438,182	..
Live Stock Pigs ,,	586,017	703,188	845,888	931,309	1,110,721	960,385	..
Wool prod. lb. greasy	179,000,000	332,759,000	631,587,000	543,131,661	721,298,288	631,514,435	..
Butter production lbs.	‡	‡	47,433,564	101,671,066	211,573,745	267,071,340	..
Cheese production ,,	‡	‡	19,146,929	11,575,692	15,886,712	32,653,003	..
Bacon and ham ,,	‡	‡	‡	34,020,629	53,264,652	58,614,459	..
Total estimated value of pastoral and dairying production .. £	20,736,000	29,538,000	39,256,000	36,890,000	69,832,000	..	..
Mineral production—							
Gold .. £	7,916,627	5,194,390	5,281,309	14,017,508	10,551,624	4,018,685	..
Silver and lead £	36,528	45,622	3,736,352	2,367,687	3,022,177	1,539,992	..
Copper .. £	830,242	714,003	367,373	2,215,431	2,564,278	803,957	..
Tin .. £	24,020	1,145,889	560,502	448,234	1,209,973	418,418	..
Zinc .. £	369	200	2,979	4,067	1,415,169	283,455	..
Coal .. £	330,759	637,865	1,914,026	2,602,770	3,929,673	11,014,831	..
Total value of all mineral production .. £	9,190,330	7,820,290	12,108,759	21,922,665	23,494,324	19,977,384	..
Forestry production—							
Quantity of local timber sawn or hewn 1,000 sup. ft.	‡	‡	‡	452,131	619,140	611,972	..
Manufactories—							
No. of factories ..	†	†	†	†	14,455	17,113	..
Hands employed No.					311,710	386,639	..
Wages paid .. £					27,528,371	62,931,718	..
Total value of output £					133,022,090	324,586,519	..
Value added in process of manufacture £					54,017,714	118,720,237	..

* Partly estimated 1871 and 1881. † Owing to variation in classification and lack of information effective comparison is impossible. ‡ Information not available. § Area of productive cane.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY.—AUSTRALIA—*continued.*

Heading.	Years.						
	1871.	1881.	1891.	1901.	1911.	1921.	1923.
Shipping—							
Oversea vessels ent. and cleared { No.	2,748	3,284	3,778	4,028	4,174	3,674	3,111
{ ton	1,312,642	2,549,364	4,726,307	6,541,991	9,984,801	9,503,018	9,081,278
*Commerce—							
Imports oversea £	17,017,000	29,067,000	37,711,000	42,434,000	66,967,488	103,066,436	..
„ per head £	10/3/3	12/16/2	11/16/0	11/3/11	14/18/2	18/14/1	..
Exports oversea £	21,725,000	27,528,000	36,043,000	49,696,000	79,482,258	127,846,535	..
„ per head £	12/19/6	12/2/8	11/5/6	13/2/2	17/13/10	23/4/1	..
Total oversea trade £	38,742,000	56,595,000	73,754,000	92,130,000	146,449,746	230,912,971	..
„ per head £	23/2/9	24/18/10	23/1/6	24/6/1	32/12/0	41/18/2	..
Customs and excise duties .. £	..	4,809,326	7,440,869	8,656,530	13,515,005	27,565,199	..
„ „ per head £	..	2/2/5	2/6/7	2/5/8	2/19/2	5/0/1	..
Principal Oversea Exports—†							
Wool { cntl. (greasy)	1,766,358	3,283,692	6,192,598	5,180,181	7,203,649	9,278,337	..
{ £	9,459,629	13,173,026	19,940,029	15,237,454	26,071,193	47,977,044	..
Wheat { centals	479,954	3,218,792	5,876,875	12,156,035	33,088,704	59,968,334	..
{ £	193,732	1,189,762	1,938,864	2,774,643	9,641,608	28,644,155	..
Flour { tons	12,988	49,549	33,363	96,814	175,891	359,734	..
{ £	170,415	519,635	328,423	589,604	1,391,529	5,519,881	..
Butter { centals	18,127	12,988	42,395	346,074	1,017,221	1,273,474	..
{ £	45,813	39,383	206,868	1,451,168	4,637,362	7,968,078	..
Skins and hides £	100,123	316,878	873,695	1,250,938	3,227,236	3,136,810	..
Tallow .. £	914,278	644,149	571,069	677,745	1,935,836	1,441,795	..
Meats .. £	566,780	362,965	460,894	2,611,244	4,303,159	5,542,102	..
Timber (undressed) £	42,586	118,117	38,448	731,301	1,023,960	1,158,166	..
Gold .. £	7,184,833	6,445,365	5,703,532	14,315,741	12,045,766	3,483,239	..
Silver and lead £	37,891	57,954	1,932,278	2,250,253	3,212,584	2,583,641	..
Copper .. £	598,538	676,515	417,687	1,619,145	2,345,961	705,358	..
Coal .. £	134,355	361,081	645,972	986,957	900,622	1,099,899	..
Government Railways—							
Length of line open mls.	970	3,832	9,541	12,579	16,078	23,296	23,497
Capital cost .. £	19,269,786	42,741,350	99,764,090	123,223,779	152,194,603	237,479,693	244,353,223
Gross revenue £	1,102,650	3,910,122	8,654,085	11,038,468	17,847,837	35,936,900	38,194,630
Working expenses £	608,332	2,141,735	5,630,182	7,133,617	10,945,727	29,969,954	29,817,970
Per cent. of working expenses on earnings %	55.17	54.77	65.06	64.63	61.33	83.39	78.07
Postal—							
Letters and postcards dealt with.. No.	24,382,000	67,640,000	157,297,000	220,853,000	453,063,000	569,343,456	561,973,105
„ „ per head „	14.54	29.61	49.07	58.26	100.90	104.36	100.93
Newspapers dealt with No.	3,336,000	38,063,000	85,280,000	102,727,000	141,638,000	130,882,425	140,477,124
„ per head „	7.95	16.66	26.61	27.10	31.54	23.99	25.23
Cheque-paying Banks—							
Note circulation £	2,456,487	3,978,711	4,417,269	3,406,175	‡876,428	211,187	208,047
Coin and bullion held £	6,168,869	9,108,243	16,712,923	19,737,572	30,024,225	22,092,371	22,345,879
Advances .. £	26,039,573	57,732,824	129,741,583	89,167,499	116,769,133	233,214,626	243,268,970
Deposits .. £	21,856,959	53,849,455	98,345,338	90,965,530	147,103,081	273,866,737	290,695,597
Savings Banks—							
Number of depositors..	100,713	250,070	614,741	964,553	1,600,112	3,327,456	3,491,755
Total deposits £	3,193,285	7,854,480	15,536,592	30,882,645	59,393,682	154,396,051	163,500,432
Average per depositor £	31/14/2	31/8/2	25/5/6	32/0/4	37/2/4	46/8/0	46/16/6
Average per head of population £	1/18/9	3/10/5	4/18/7	8/3/0	13/8/5	28/0/4	29/0/4
State Schools—							
Number of schools ..	2,502	4,494	6,231	7,012	8,060	9,445	..
Teachers .. No.	4,641	9,028	12,564	14,500	16,971	26,201	..
Enrolment .. „	236,710	432,320	561,153	638,478	638,850	819,042	..
Aver. attendance „	137,767	255,143	350,773	450,246	463,799	666,498	..

* Figures for Commerce for 1921 relate to year ended 30th June, 1922. † Australian produce, except gold, which includes re-exports. ‡ Decrease due to prohibition of re-issue.

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